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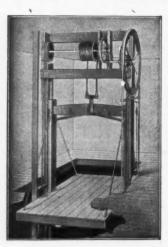
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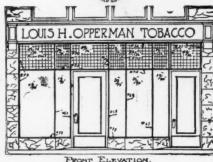
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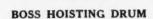
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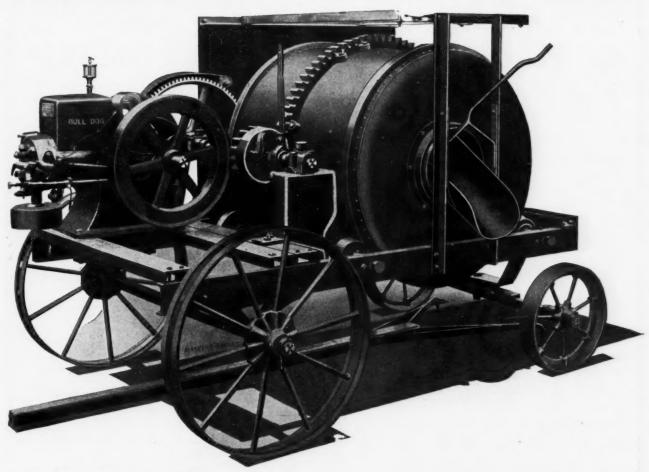
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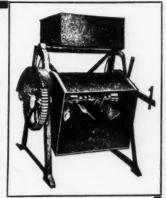
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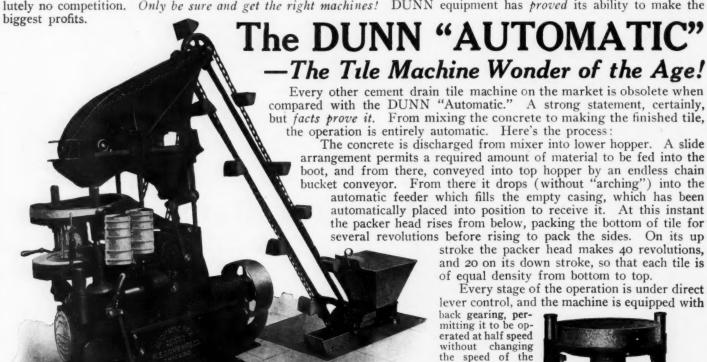
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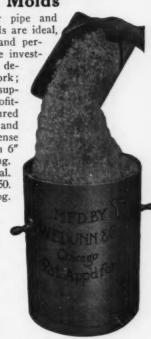
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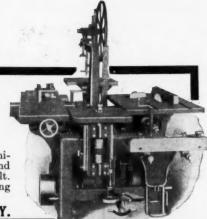






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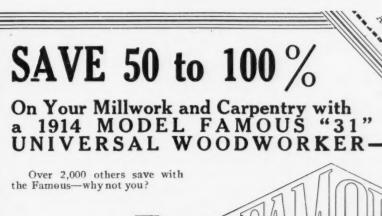
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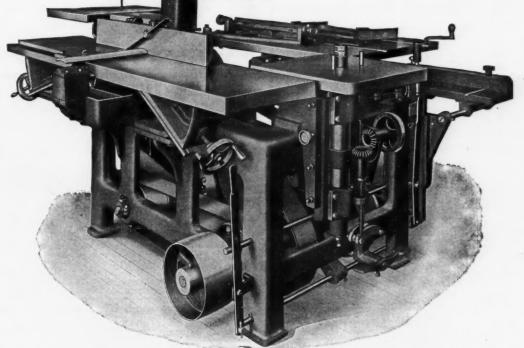
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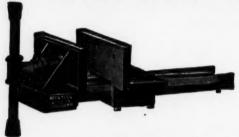
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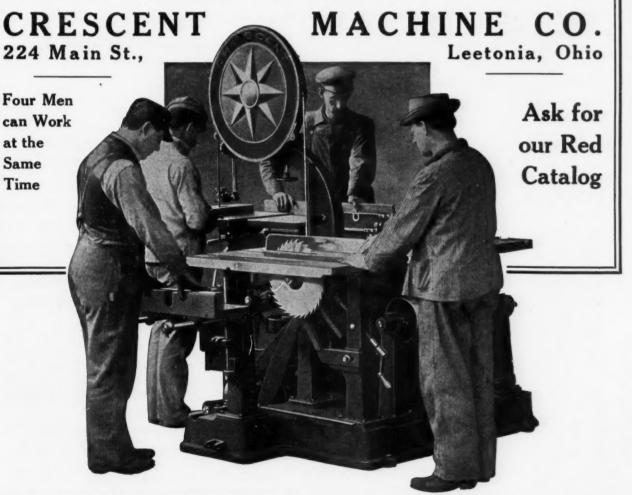
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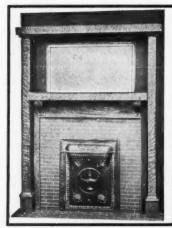
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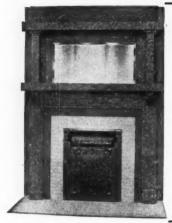
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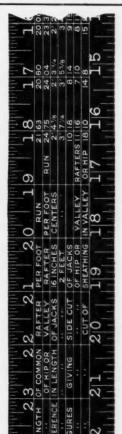
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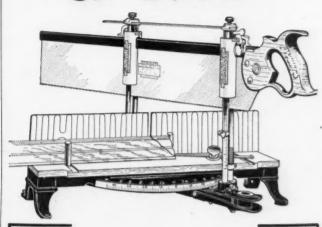
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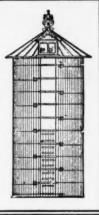
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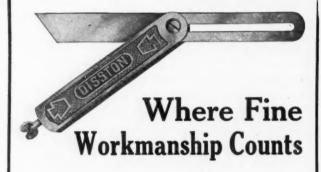
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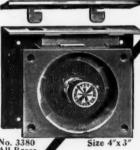
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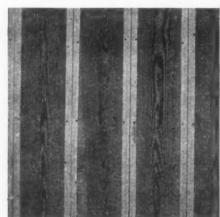
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The Western states are very optimistic; all except Washington, New Mexico, and Nevada report much better prospects. The Canadians also are confident of the future, the majority of reports from every province predicting an increase in 1914 over last year.

It seems entirely reasonable that the local contractor and builder has his work for the coming year pretty well gauged by this time. Thus, after making all allowances for overconfidence and enthusiasm, these reports augur well for a busy building season this

The Forecast by States is on Next Page

Forecast of 1914 Building Business

As reported by representative contractors and builders in every section of the United States and Canada, to the publishers of the American Carpenter and Builder (Chicago) in their recent investigation or census of their 40,000 subscribers.

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Other Interesting Facts Brought Out by Census

With the purpose of being able thereby to serve its readers better, the American Carpenter and Builder has just completed the most thorough and far-reaching investigation or census of its subscribers ever undertaken by any class publication. It has absolute data giving in detail the occupations of its readers, the class of work they do, the number of contracts they handled during 1913, and the value of these contracts, the equipment they own and what it consists of, and what additional equipment they are now in the market for.

This investigation has covered every state in the Union and province of Canada. Briefly summarized, these census reports show that American Carpenter and Builder readers are engaged in every branch of the building industry. The carpenter and builder is in many instances his own architect, specifying or recommending all building and finishing materials—he has charge also of the plumbing, heating, painting and decorating, metal and cement work.

It is interesting to note that 64.9 per cent of our readers act as architect as well as builder, and our investigation shows that every reader averaged 7.5 building contracts during 1913.

It is evident that the typical American Carpenter and Builder reader is a versatile man, equipped to accept and handle every sort of building work that presents itself in his locality. He is the responsible man to whom the building owners turn for expert advice and service on all building work.

Number and Value of Contracts Handled Last Year

From the Confidential Census reports furnished us by our readers, we learn many interesting facts, especially as to the volume of work handled by them. The following figures are based upon these reports which have been received from every section of the United States, and figuring the same percentage for our total circulation of 40,000:

Number of contracts handled in 1913300,000
Average for each reader
Value of contracts handled in 1913\$742,036,400.00
Average amount of each contract\$2.473.45
Average year's business for each reader

We wish to emphasize the fact that this average, \$18,550.91, represents the average year's business for every one of our readers, big and little. It is not the average for the building contractors only. Even the apprentice boys have been figured in, and the average for all is this amount.

Strong for Power Equipment

8.4 per cent of our subscribers, totalling 3,360, state that they own concrete or mortar mixers.

5.3 per cent or 2,120, are now in the market, they inform us, for concrete mixers, or mortar mixers.

18.8 per cent of our subscribers, or 7,520, inform us that they own power woodworking machinery.

14.6 per cent, or 5,840, state that they are at the present time considering buying shop woodworkers.

Besides these, 8.7 per cent, or 3,480, are in the market for portable power woodworkers, and 11.5 per cent, or a total of 4,600,, state that they have already purchased and are operating portable woodworkers.

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4.7 per cent of American Carpenter and Builder subscribers, totalling 1,880, own power hoists. As a man has to be doing quite a good sized contracting business to need power-hoisting apparatus, these figures speak well for the work being done by this part of our readers.

Most of the equipment mentioned above is gasoline engine driven. In addition to these, 5.3 per cent of our subscribers, or 2,120, inform us that they are now considering purchasing gas engines. 600 are in the market for electric motors.

A total of 36 per cent—14,400 AMERICAN CARPEN-TER AND BUILDER subscribers, state that they are at this time considering investing in some item of power equipment.

Contractors and "A. C. & B." Advertising

A careful study of the census reports demonstrates the very high regard in which the AMERICAN CARPEN-TER AND BUILDER and especially its advertising pages, are held by contractors, builders, carpenters and architects. 94.5 per cent, or 37,800, of our readers state that they study the advertising pages of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER. Readers operating in 59.6 per cent of the towns into which the magazine goes, inform us that their local dealers do not carry everything they need as up-to-date builders.

For this reason our readers find the advertising pages of the American Carpenter and Builder their handiest and most reliable guide in purchasing and investigating building and finishing materials, and building equipment; also tools and builders' gear of all kinds.

The high regard in which the AMERICAN CARPEN-TER AND BUILDER is held by its readers is strikingly testified to by the fact that 93 per cent of our subscribers state that they preserve their copies of the magazine, filing them carefully away for future reference. 35.1 per cent, or a total of 14,040, subscribers have even gone to the trouble and expense of having their copies of the American Carpenter and Builder bound.

Teach Your Boys to Make Things

ARPENTERS and Builders, teach your boys to make things. Whether they will follow your trade when they grow up or not, let them, while they are still boys, give expression to that "making instinct" which is so sure to be in nearly every lad. And since our boys must create something, we should see to it that they create something useful.

There lies the great advantage of a carpenter's life: it is spent in making the fundamentals of man's material existence. We may get along without poets and artists, but we cannot get along without carpenters and builders. You therefore have it in your power

to teach your sons how to make the very best there is to make in the world. And children always want to feel that what they do has the dignity of usefulness.

If you have a barn on your place, partition off a little part of it, as much as you feel you can spare, and give it to your boy for a tool shop. Let him know that it is all his own, as respected and undisturbed as your own work place. Show him how to build a carpenter's bench, how to fasten a vise to it, and then see that he gets as many tools as he needs for constructing simple, useful things. Any boy will love such a chance to exercise his ingenuity, and will not abuse his

opportunity.

When he has made his table or bookcase or footstool or whatever it may be, and brings it to you for

Give Your Boy Honest Criticism

inspection, give it the honest criticism you would accord a work of a brother carpenter. It will, of course, be crooked and uneven and rude, but if it is an honest attempt, it deserves neither contempt nor indifference and may be the beginnings of a skilled workman. Your boy should know that you will respect the things he makes, even though they prove too crude for use in the house, and will show him where a nail has been hit on the head and where it has missed aim. He is very sure that you know everything, and a word of help and praise from you is a golden reward.

If you have no barn to give him part of, perhaps there is an unused room in your cellar or even a corner of it, that could be partitioned off for a tool shop. The cellar of most houses is warm and comfortable because of the presence of the furnace, and the long winter evenings are just the times when boys like to tinker and saw. The cellar is an excellent place for a tool shop, and the enjoyment and education that your son will get from this sort of amateur carpentering will richly repay you for whatever sacrifice you may have to make to give him the room.-LORRAINE A. ALLEN, West Newton, Mass.



Found His El Dorado in Denver PAY-DIRT IN HIS OWN TRADE By James A. Patterson

DURING the winter of 1898-99, E. P. Robinson, a Greeley carpenter, did not find steady work in his home town. In his leisure he spent much time reading newspaper stories; especially items relating to the discovery of gold in the Klondyke. To these highly-colored reports he at first paid little attention; but as the winter dragged out its weary length, and conditions in the building line did not indicate great activity in building for the coming summer, he became more infused with the glowing prospects in the far North. Toward spring he was thoroughly innoculated with the gold-fever germ.

In March, 1899, he packed up a few tools and started for San Francisco, where he in company with nine other venturesome spirits chartered a sailing vessel (Hattie Melton). The company pooled their capital, loaded the vessel with mining outfits, a year's supply of food, and a small side-wheel steamer (knockdown) to be used for transportation on the Yukon and its tributaries; started for St. Michael's, where they landed after forty days' sail.

Prospecting on the Koyukuk and the Yukokakat; the mishaps met, the privations endured—fighting against man and beast, the rigors of an Arctic climate would make a story too long for this article. Suffice it to say, two years spent in the chase after ellusive fortune had brought no tangible results. Flour-gold, obtained by placer-mining, was the only find that had yielded a paltry pittance, wholly out of proportion to the time and labor involved in washing.

Supplies had long since been exhausted, and exorbitant prices were now paid for plain food. Three of the original company had died; four others had become discouraged and returned to "God's Country." The

Avoid Puttering

prolonged struggle, strain of disappointment, lack of well-balanced diet, were slowly but surely destroying nerve tone; an intense, harried expression was evident around the eyes of all the remaining members.

In June, 1901, Robinson took a mental inventory, summed up in these words: "Digging and delving from morning till night, no comforts, half enough to eat, nothing in sight; the game is not worth the candle, back to civilization and three square meals a day."

Robinson arrived in Denver, August 10, found work at his trade, reconciled to the fact that moderate wages with ordinary comforts of life were to be preferred to the most alluring prospects of finding wealth in the Klondyke. The first winter after his return from the North he took a three-months' course in mechanical drawing, which has since enabled him to do his own drafting. Working by the day as a starter, he gradually enlarged his plans until he secured a shop, began taking contracts for building and engaged other men to assist him as required. During the summer



The Game is not Worth the Candle-Back to Civilization

of 1913 he had contracts which kept himself and four other men employed until Christmas, the last job being on a row of five modern stores erected at 6th and Gilpin streets. When new outside work is not feasible on account of severe winter weather, he is kept busy repairing a string of houses handled by a realty company as renting agents.

His shop is a model of neatness, equipment and system. A desk fitted with drawers, all properly labeled for important papers; extension table for use in drafting. Next to the desk stands a large wall cabinet (his own make) equipped

with drawers, hooks, and shelves of various sizes for holding small supplies; several other time-saving devices enable him to lay his hand immediately upon the article wanted. For sharpening tools an electric motor is connected with a grindstone.

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If Robinson uses a motto, I should say it was: "Avoid Puttering." When there is work on hand, he sets about doing it with a decisive promptness that stands out in marked contrast to the dilly-dally methods of some men. A certain man for whom he built a cottage, when asked why he gave the contract to Robinson in preference to another man whose bid was lower, replied: "If Robinson promises to finish the job on July 1, I know he will hand me the key on June 30."

For 1914 he has already secured enough contracts for new suburban buildings to keep himself and three other men employed from April to September.

Second Edition Now Being Bound

E are sorry to have kept a number of our readers waiting for their copies of "Radford's Estimating and Contracting." Enlarged to a 900-page book, leather bound, the demand for it has upset all our expectations. The 1st Edition of 15,000 copies is completely sold out and the 2nd Edition is not yet quite ready. But our printers and binders are hard at work; and we will be able to fill orders again in a few

Good Work Exhibited at New York Trade School

On January 20th, the Baron de Hirsch Trade School, East 64th St., held an exhibition of pupils' work. Many visitors were present. The exhibits all testified to the soundness and thoroughgoing nature of the trade instruction afforded the pupils of this school.

Interest in Metal Lath is Shown

PUZZLE PRIZE CONTEST BRINGS TO LIGHT MANY NEW AND IMPORTANT USES TO DECEMBER AD. WHICH METAL LATH IS BEING PUT BY CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS

tising puzzles was the one in the December issue where our readers were asked to write on the subject, "Metal Lath—Why I am Interested in It and How I Use It."

The majority apparently had a great fund of experience in the use of this material to draw upon.

NE of the most popular of our popular adver- Others living in parts of the country where metal lath is little known as yet, took the opportunity to study up the matter, writing to our advertisers for samples, hand books, catalogs, etc.

> Thus, the contest proved educational as well as good fun, and that is what we wanted. Readers have been entertained and benefited by it.

The Prize Winners in the December Ad. Puzzle Contest are the Following:

First prize, \$10.00 worth of goods selected from our ad-

C. C. Seifert, Contractor and Builder, Rolfe, Iowa.

Two second prizes, consisting of \$5.00 worth of goods selected from our ad. pages:

FRANK M. KERR, Carpenter and Builder, Normal, Ill.

H. P. GERBER, Instructor in Carpentry, The Northern Normal and Industrial School, Aberdeen, S. D.

Ten third prizes, each consisting of \$1.00 worth of goods selected from our ad. pages:

THOS. L. HICKEY, of L. A. Hickey's Sons, General Contractors and Builders, South Bend, Ind.

GEORGE K. HALL, Contractor and Builder, East New Market, Md.

GEORGE W. PAYNE, Architect, Carthage, Ill.

FRED DAVENPORT, Marcelene, Mo.

WM. LOESCH, Contractor and Builder, Pasadena, Calif.

RUDOLPH W. FESCH, Brick and Plaster Contractor, Kewanee, Ill.

L. W. HOLLISTER, of Hollister, Amos & Co., Retail Lumber Dealers, Oshkosh, Wis.

HARRISON WEBER, Carpenter, Contractor and Builder, Norristown, Pa.

CARLOS G. JOHNSON, Contractor and Builder, Lincoln, Neb. ERNEST A. MILLER, Detroit, Mich.

This Month, "Importance of Good Appearance" Contest

O N the next page we have a puzzle consisting of clippings from twenty-three advertisements in this issue of the American Carpenter and Builder. You will find it good sport and at the same time worth any busy man's time to study over all of our advertising pages this month, noting the new improvements that are announced; new catalogs ready for distribution; and free samples that advertisers will send our readers who are interested. After reading the advertisements you will find it easy to identify the clippings in the puzzle.

For the subject to be written about this time we have chosen what every business man recognizes as

highly important—the appearance of letters, statements, estimates, and other written matter which every carpenter and builder has to send out. Write a letter of not less than 100 words on this subject: "Why a Carpenter and Builder Should Use Business Stationery and Own a Typewriter." Every one has at some time or other had an experience that will throw some light on this subject.

NOTICE-Mistake in January Puzzle

In last month's puzzle, clipping No. 21 is from the Milwaukee Corrugating Co.'s ad. in the December number. All clippings should have been from the current issue. This one got in by mistake.

More Fun and Prizes For All Who Read Our Advertising Pages





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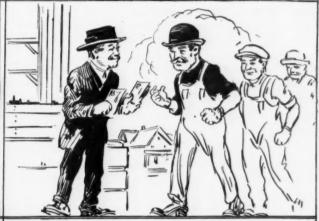
stands for Mixer: concrete or good; To own one and be one each contractor should. If you're a good mixer and own one or two, You can bid competition one fond last adieu.*



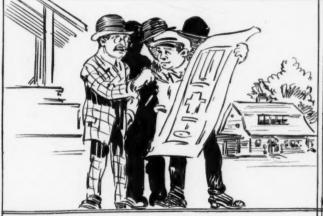
stands for New Things you builders must know, If you want to see your own business grow. These new things are vital; your clients demand 'em; Old fashioned methods?—They long since have canned 'em.



stands for Obstacles, all builders meet; You must surmount them; if not, then you're beat. The whole world admires and looks up to a winner, But the man who's defeated—no pie with his dinner!



stands for Pay-Day, weekly enjoyment To the man who's alive and has steady employment. Of course, if you're boss, and you pay the boys, Pay-days are not always days of great joys.



stands for Questions that arise every minute In the course of construction. That man's strictly in it Who can answer these questions, or figure them right. If he can't, he's a loser; fat contract, GOOD NIGHT!



stands for Rafter, a poor workman's nightmare; To the man who knows "framing" it's only a light care. But if he makes "steel square" and "framing" his motto He'll soon have no boss, but will drive his own auto.

3 Sg. Miles of Building Under Way for Panama-Pacific Fair



Panorama of the site, on San Francisco Bay, of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to be held in San Francisco in 1915, to celebrate the opening of the Panama Canal. The buildings face north upon the harbor for almost three miles and are located just inside the famous Golden Gate entrance of the harbor to the Pacific Ocean.

RIENTAL eyes casting to eastward and those of the Occident turned further to the west are converging upon a common horizon—the Panama-Pacific Exposition site at San Francisco, where a congress of nations will flaunt their banners in 1915. Thousands of busy men are whipping into shape the largest World's Fair—the most artistic demonstration of civilization's progress since creation.

The wonder of it is the precision with which this gigantic task is being pushed to completion. The

huge shell will be ready to receive the exhibits months before this great exposition commemorating the completion of the Panama Canal opens its gates on February 20, 1915.

Six hundred and thirty-five acres have been set aside for the physical equipment of the exposition. The grounds are ample, the scenic setting unsurpassed in beauty, and the architectural plan the highest conception of the best of the world's artists. In the center of the picture eight great exhibit palaces are grouped together in a parallelogram, separated only



This photograph was taken from the roof of the Palace of Machinery on December 3, 1913, and shows a part of the main Industries; next in the foreground comes the Palace of Mines and Metallurgy, above which is to be seen a portion of The large building with the dome, in the center of the photograph, is the Palace of Education and Social Econ Arts. In the center of the photograph, where is seen a pool of water, is the location of one of the and many thousand men are at work. When completed, a number of the towers, domes and being 430 feet in height. This photograph shows the outside walls of some of the building in Chicago, and also reveals the spaces over which tow

by connecting avenues and ornamental courts. These palaces are devoted respectively to Varied Industries, Manufactures, Liberal Arts, Education and Social Economy, Food Products, Agriculture, Transportation, and Mines and Metallurgy. To the east of the parallelogram is placed the magnificent Machinery Hall, to the west the Palace of Fine Arts, while to the south, surrounded by the extensive horticultural gardens, stand Festival Hall and the Palace of Horticulture. Stretching from Machinery Hall eastward to Van Ness Avenue of the city are the amusement concessions containing sixty-five acres, while to the west, spreading fan shaped along the bay, are the sections devoted to the pavilions of the states and foreign nations, while yet beyond these, a part of the famous military reservation, the Presidio, are the stock yards and barns in which will be shown the greatest collection of domestic animals ever assembled, and the aviation field, race track, and drill grounds, in which ten thousand troops may be maneuvered at the same time. In front of the main group of exhibit palaces, along the bay, runs the Esplanade, ornamented with shrubs and plants from two climes; and in the bay itself may ride at anchor the fleets of all nations, overlooking the scene, with the Golden Gate in the distance.

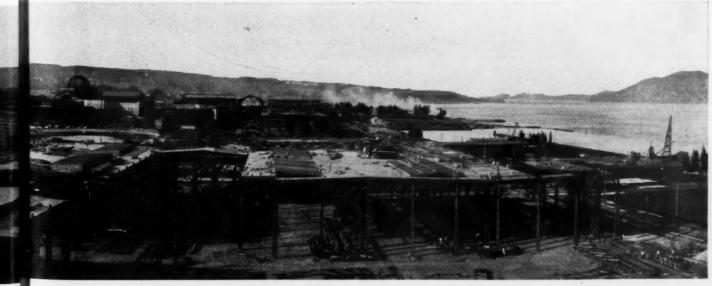
This plan is the result of careful consideration on the part of the Board of Directors with the assistance of world renowned architects, and has two objects, the convenience of the visitors, and a unique architectural scheme, unlike that of any other exposition, highly adaptable to the scenic setting and admitting of a color treatment in harmony with the California sea, sky and shore. This grouping together of buildings modifies the architecture of their facades,

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Horticultural Building, which will be 630 by 295 feet one of the most notable structures of the kind ever built, being composed almost entirely of glass; set in the west end of the south garden opposite the Palace of Education, its glittering dome, 165 feet high, will be seen as one of the striking features of the exposition.

constituting these at the same time the walls of the courts, which are adorned with colonnades, magnificent arches, lofty towers and symbolic statuary. At the main entrance, on the east side, rises to a height of more than 400 feet, a great tower called the Tower of Jewels, a noble and impressive structure, the dominating feature of the plan; while on the bay side, in front of the main entrance, a single shaft, representing the rise of mankind, is called the Column of Progress. The three main courts are ranged along the east and west axis of the central group of palaces, in the center of the Court of the Sun and Stars, so named because of the idea of space which it engenders, a court surrounded with colonnades, above which are ranged one hundred and ten star-crowned figures, capable in extent of containing a sunken garden seating seven thousand persons; to the east of this, the Court of Abundance, devoted to festivals;



of the main hibit section of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition At the extreme left is shown a portion of the Palace of Varied a portion of Palace of Manufactures; to the right are to be seen the Palaces of Transportation, Agriculture and Food Products. I Social Economy. This dome is 165 feet above the ground. To the left of the Palace of Education is the Palace of Liberal of one of the left inner courts of the exposition. More than 80,000,000 feet of lumber are being used in this section so, domes an ever gateways will rise higher than the first min of hills seen to the right, the Tower of Jewels the of the build in height with those of the World's Columbian Exposition which towning domes and huge vaulted arcades will be erected.

and to the west the Court of the Four Seasons, devoted to a representation of the opulence of Nature. The palaces themselves have the appearance of Travertine marble, relieved by the vivid coloring of the ornamentation, the whole forming a picture of inspiring splendor and beauty. North and south, from the Tower of Jewels to the Column of Progress, runs an avenue, which divides the compact group of palaces into two parts, and by the ornamentation of the eastern and western divisions thus created, the Orient and Occident are exemplified, suggesting the idea of the work of the Panama Canal—that here, on this western shore of the continents, the East and West are at last united, and that by the commerce thus aroused and amplified, there shall ensue a greater peace for the nations and a higher progress for mankind.

Construction is proceeding with prodigious rapidity. All of the eleven main exhibit palaces are under construction. The work ranges in degree of completion from the Palace of Fine Arts, for which the piling is in place and the steel being fabricated in the East; and the Palace of Transportation of which the floor is laid, and the frames being assembled preparatory to erection, to the Palace of Machinery, nearly fin-

ished. The Palace of Education is 67 per cent completed, its domes being placed, and the outer walls receiving their staff work. The completion of this palace will follow closely that of the Palace of Machinery which is now 93 per cent completed.

A striking example of the rapidity of construction is furnished in the case of the Palace of Food Products. In a single month 900,000 feet of material were put in the superstructure of this building, with the result that the frame was approximately 80 per cent in place in that period, the entire structure being 45 per cent completed. The immensity of this work may be realized from the fact that the Palace of Food Products covers an area of more than five acres, and is 96 feet high to top of ridge and 160 feet high to top of dome above the floor.

Work is progressing on the five great interior courts of the main group of exhibit palaces. The fire-proof walls of the courts are being built rapidly, the walls of the Court of the Four Seasons being practically completed.

Many of the most important and heaviest tasks in the preparation of the exposition have been completed. Such are the installation of the water, drainage, and electric conduit systems; the construction



The Palace of Food Products, one of the main exhibit palaces of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, as it now appears.

45 per cent completed. Upon that date, 900,000 feet of material had been placed and used in the construction. Rappared with the already completed Palace of Machinery, the largest wooden building the world has ever employed to ensure the finishing of the exposition on time. The Palace of Food Products covers ground to the top of the dome



The Court of the Four Seasons as it Appears in the Making.

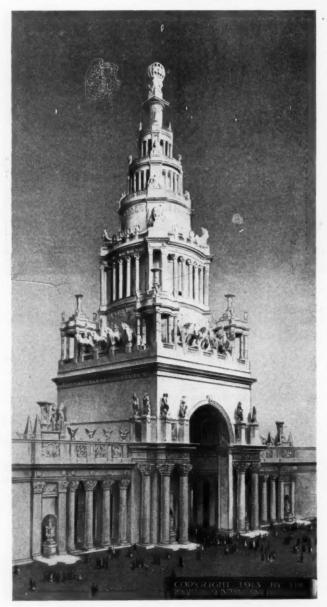
This photograph shows a part of the huge Court of the Four Seasons. The building on the left is the Palace of Education, while that on the right is Agriculture. The avenue between the buildings extends east and west and the picture is taken looking west toward the Golden Gate.

of seawalls, wharves and freight ferry slip, of the standard gauge terminal railroad system and other necessities.

Rapever overs dome The freight ferry slip is now in daily use, receiving car floats bearing cars, which are conveyed by the exposition engines over the terminal railroad track,



The work of constructing this immense building was commenced October 1, 1913, and thirty days afterward it was more than idly taking shape, the Palace of Food Products will soon present to the eye its marvelous beauty and may be comseen. The main group of buildings is being rushed toward completion, thousands of workmen are an area of more than five acres and will rise 96 feet high to the ridge of the roof and from the will be 160 feet in height.



A Marvelous Setting for Sculpture.

The dominating architectural feature of the exposition, the superb tower gateway, which will command the south entrance of the Court of Sun and Stars. This tower, 430 feet in height, will have a base one acre in extent. The tower will rise upward, in terraces, giving way at last to a group of figures supporting a globe, typifying the world. The repeated figures of armored horsemen and of explorers of the oceans will be used on the tower which, with its statuary, mural paintings and mosaics, will be indescribably beautiful. Carrere and Hastings are the architects.

the main line of which, and many of the branches, have been completed.

The landscape engineering is progressing rapidly. The exposition site, which, a few months ago, was a waste of sand dunes, rubbish and gravel, now shows many acres of greensward, the grass growing luxuriantly in the south and north gardens, in the concessions district and elsewhere.

The transplanting of trees and shrubs from the nurseries is progressing, the groves of cypress and other trees are to be seen upon the grounds contrib-

uting to the final park-like appearance that will characterize the exposition long before 1915.

In the sculptural warehouses fifty sculptors and skilled artisans are at work. Under the direction of A. Stirling Calder the plaster models made by many of America's greatest sculptors are being enlarged to heroic proportions, finished in imitation Travertine marble, and prepared for installation upon their pedestals.

Three fire houses for the exposition fire department are nearly finished. One is in the concessions district, one adjoins the Service Building and one between the Palace of Fine Arts and the California Building. Temporary fire equipment has already been installed.

It has been estimated that \$80,000,000 will be expended at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition exclusive of the vast wealth represented in the exhibits of the world.

As the visions of many of America's greatest architects, sculptors, and artists become realities; as the magnitude of the exposition design is today revealed by prodigious progress in construction, the world sees come true every great ideal which was cherished for this vast and complex undertaking.

Keep up the Good Work, Boys

"Good, better, best, Never let it rest, Till the best is better, And the better, best."

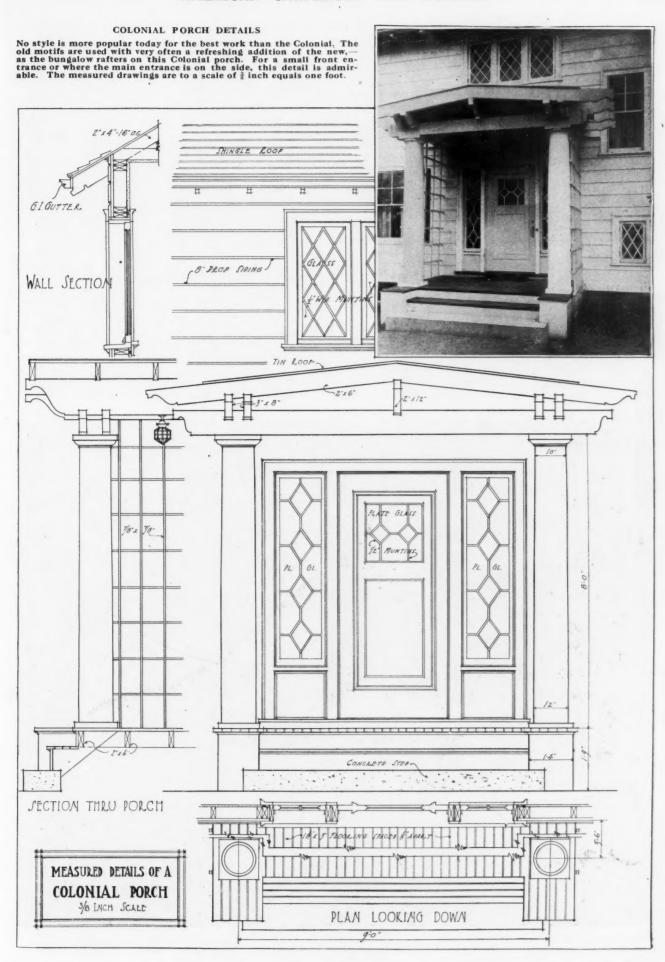
THIS appears in the first issue of *The Young Apprentice*, the Apprentice School paper, New Haven, Conn. If the boys will take it as their motto they will go far and find success sitting in the middle of the road waiting for them.

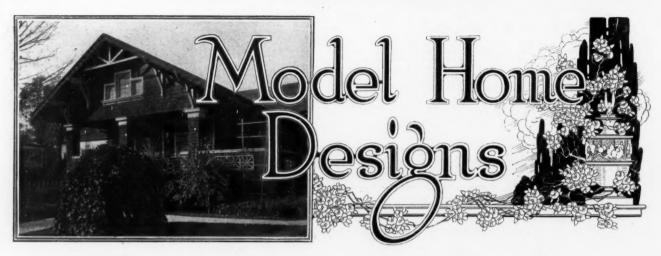
The Largest Steel Gear

A steel gear wheel, that is unusual and probably the largest ever manufactured, was shipped recently to the Inland Steel Co. of Chicago, and will be used for driving their sheet mill. This gear is 22 feet 8 inches in diameter. The face is 38 inches wide. There are 154 teeth in the gear, and they are set staggered in three sections. When in operation, these gears will travel at a speed of 2,000 feet per minute. Made by the Mesta Machine Co.



Man is a Pigmy Beside This Huge Steel Gear Wheel





Ceiling Beams Popular with Home Builders

A LMOST every one wants ceiling beams these days. For the living room and the library or den, ceiling beams give a rich ornamental effect. They carry an atmosphere of coziness and warmth.

Our ancestors long ago built their houses out of heavy hewn timbers; and

in those days ceiling beams were real. To-day we use the beams only for their ornamental effect. They carry no load, but are merely shells of wood, hollow inside.

A real old-fashioned beam ceiling would cost a fortune these days, and wouldn't be as attractive to most as the modern ornamental beams or panel work, which cost relatively little. The old structural beams could be arranged in only one way—as in the photograph; but we nail them up now in any number of unique and artistic ways—to work in with electric lighting schemes and for other decoration.



Remodelled inter-ior of old New England homestead, showing genuine heavy oak ceiling beams. These carry the weight of the floor above. Modern beams are tacked on for ornamental effect. They carry no weight.



Seven-room bungalow, size 33 by 47 feet. Siding is of wide boards; foundation courses and porch pillars brick. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$10.00 per set. Blue prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. Ask for Design No. 6541.

Seven-Room Brick and Wide-Boarded Bungalow

Here is a very home-like dwelling of the western bungalow type. The foundation courses up to the window sills are of brick; above, wide resawed boards are used. These are laid about 8 inches to the weather and have a rough surface which takes a stain, brown or dark green, very nicely, producing a rich, warm appearance.

The trim around doors and windows and around the cornice is stained or painted in a color contrasting with the rest of the house. There is a chance for a very artistic effect in this bungalow by properly choosing the colors for brick work, siding, and roof.

The interior of this bungalow is typical of the best modern arrangement. The living room is large, 14 by 19 feet, and connects freely with the dining room through a broad colonnade opening. The dining room measures 15 by 17 feet. Both of these apartments are elegantly finished with ceiling beams, arranged in an ornamental way.

The kitchen is well placed and is just the right size for easy housekeeping. The pantry has a place for built-in refrigerator, to be iced from the porch. The cellar stairs, down to the fruit and vegetable cellar, open handily from the kitchen.

This design is popular because of the fine down-stairs bedroom from which

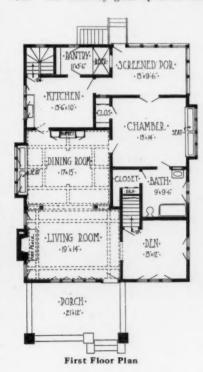
opens the screened porch. One who has ever slept in a screened porch room will never be satisfied with any other.

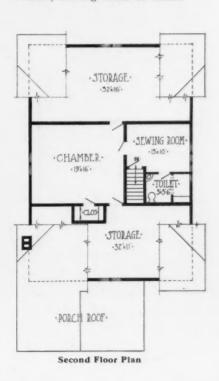
The bathroom opens from the downstairs bedroom, and is of generous size. Note the two large closets on this floor.

Opening from the living room is a comfortable den or library 12 by 13 feet. The stairway goes up from here.

On the second floor are one large bedroom, a smaller room, designated "sewing room," toilet, and two large storage rooms.

An exceptional amount of good, useable living space is secured in this dwelling for a bungalow of its dimensions. For a building lot of 40 feet or more, nothing could be better.





Seven-Room Gambrel House for Narrow Lot

All things considered, the gambrel roof house works out best for the moderate cost dwelling where every inch.

of space must be utilized to the best advantage. The rooms on the second floor are full size, and yet, being "under the roof" they don't cost very much.

Much depends on how a gambrel

house is designed. This one is in perfect harmony with itself. The large octagon bay in front, and also the one at the side seem to go naturally with the shape of the roof.

Nicely arranged small residences to go on a narrow lot are scarce. This design measures only 24 feet in width. The length is 31 feet 6 inches. On the first floor are four good rooms; sitting room and dining room opening together, conveniently arranged kitchen, and a small down-stairs bedroom with clothes closet.

This is a snug home for cold climates, as the front porch is so well protected, and the vestibule keeps the cold air from the entrance out of the sitting room.

There is no reason for giving up the best part of a house to the stairway. Here the stairs are placed at the rear. They go up from the dining room, which is handy and desirable in a house of this size. On the second floor are three good sized bedrooms, bathroom, and six clothes closets.



First Floor Plan Second Floor Plan



Seven-room gambrel roof dwelling, size 24 by 31 feet 6 inches. First story sided; gable ends and roof shingled. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$10.00 per set. Blue prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages typewritten matter. Ask for Design No. 6542.



Artistic six-room stucco residence with English half-timber paneling. Size 28 by 33 feet. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$12.00 per set. Blue prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. Ask for Design No. 6544.

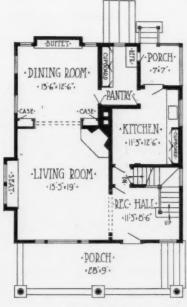
Stylish Six-Room Paneled Stucco House

The popularity of cement plastered or stucco houses continues. This one is given an ornamental appearance by the use of exposed timber paneling in the upper story. This is known as English half-timber work, although the construction is, of course, different from the old Elizabethan work after which it is

Imagine this residence with cement work painted cream color or tan, and the trim painted dark brown or olive green. Or many prefer to leave the cement its natural gray color, painting the wood trim to contrast strikingly.

Of stylish up-to-date exterior, the inside arrangement of this house is in every way modern, making good the promise of the outside. Entrance from the porch is into a square reception and stair hall. To the left is the large, well lighted living room with open fire place in one corner. The dining room is in the back. Although centrally located, the kitchen is well insulated from the other rooms. The pantry separates it from the dining room and the cellar stair hall from the front of the house. This effectively cuts off both noise and cooking odors.

Housewives will approve of this kitchen with its broad, well lighted work shelf and sink, and handy built-in cup-

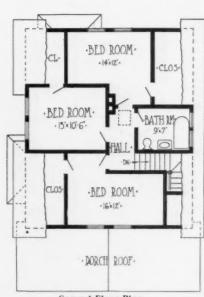


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board. The refrigerator is in the pantry, and is iced from the back porch.

On the second floor are three good sized bedrooms, bathroom, and three extra large closets.

The outside dimensions of this house are 28 feet by . 33 feet, not including porches. This makes a very desirable residence for a city or suburban building lot of 30 feet or wider. While it

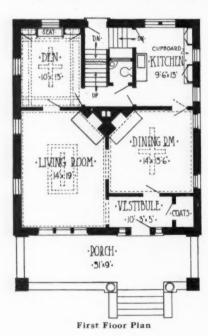


Second Floor Plan

is a decidedly economical house to build, it has an up-to-date, "dressy" appearance which discriminating home builders appreciate. The story-and-a-half treatment keeps the lines of the building low and broad. This place would never have that bleak appearance, so often carried by taller houses, especially when new, before the shrubbery has had time to grow.

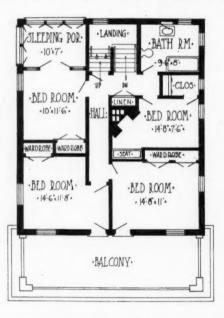


Rich eight-room brick residence. Size 31 by 34 feet 6 inches. A popular hip-roof design. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$15.00 per set. Blue prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. Ask for Design No. 6543,



Elegant Eight-Room Brick Residence

A permanent residence of the most approved, conservative, hip-roof design is presented. The building is almost square in outline, 31 feet wide by 34 feet 6 inches deep. Every square inch is made use of, and no money has been used on angles and turns and projections, which complicate the wall con-



Second Floor Plan

struction and roof construction, without returning the equivalent in added comfort to the interior.

This house, constructed of one of the modern rough texture bricks, perhaps tan color or dark brown, and laid with prominent mortar joints of a contrasting color, presents a striking and attractive picture.

The roof illustrated is rather novel;

every fourth row of shingles is laid double—a trick to emphasize the horizontal lines.

From the broad front porch entrance is into a large vestibule which opens to the left into the living room, and also straight ahead into the dining room. A clothes closet to the right is provided. Back of the living room is the library or den. The kitchen occupies the fourth corner.

The dotted lines in the three main rooms indicate ornamental ceiling work in connection with the electric lighting fixtures.

The stairway in this house goes up from the inside hall. It is easily accessible from the library and from the kitchen. Those who do not care to have the best part of the house taken up by the stairway will appreciate this arrangement.

On the second floor are four large bedrooms, each with good wardrobe and closet space. One bedroom has screened sleeping porch, separated from it by glazed partition with double doors. The two front bedrooms open onto the balcony over the front porch.

The bathroom is on this floor, directly over the kitchen and first floor toilet, thus keeping all plumbing fixtures in line—an economy point to be considered.

Model Home Designs

Low Cost Six-Room Dwelling

For a modest little home, nicely arranged and of good appearance, nothing could be better than this story-and-a-half frame dwelling. The width is 24 feet, the length 36 feet. There are six rooms, three on each floor.

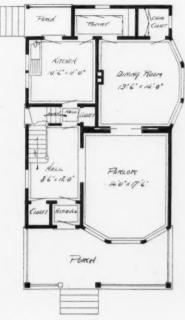
On the first floor are parlor, 14 by 17 feet 6 inches, and dining room, 13 feet 6 inches by 14 feet. These rooms connect by means of double sliding doors. A three-window bay lights each room. The kitchen is well away from the other rooms, yet is arranged to save steps. It is a small kitchen, as preferred by most housekeepers these days. The pantry is of good size, and there is also a large lighted closet off the dining room.

Just in front of the kitchen there is a little back hall with stairs leading down to a grade entrance and to the cellar. On the second floor are three well lighted bedrooms and the bathroom.

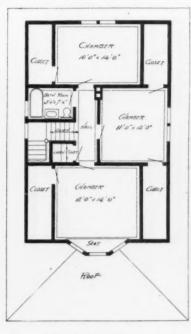
One thing the women folks all like about this house is the closets. There are five of them on the second floor and three on the first floor. They seem to be placed every time just where a closet is most convenient.

This house has been designed to use stock sizes and patterns of lumber and mill work in order to hold down the cost at every point, at the same time producing a substantial, cozy home.

It is surprising the amount of room there is in this dwelling. From the outside it seems to be a snug, cosy, little cottage; but within the rooms are large and well laid out.



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan



Very practical six-room, story-and-a-half cottage. Size 24 by 36 feet. An economical house to build. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$8.00 per set. Blue prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. Ask for Design No. 6539.



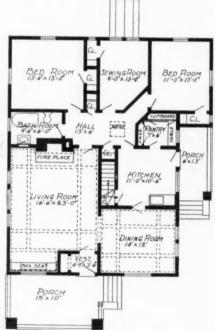
Six-room cement plaster bungalow. Size 38 by 43 feet 6 inches. A well arranged modern dwelling. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$10.00 per set. Blue prints consist of basement plan; first floor and roof plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. Ask for Design No. 6545.

Modern Six-Room Cement Plastered Bungalow

The genuine bungalow-all rooms on the main floor-that is laid out in a really desirable way is something of a rarity. For a good many reasons the sleeping rooms in a house should be somewhat away from the living room and dining room. They should be quiet, and also located so that privacy is possible. In a good many alleged bungalows a bedroom is often found opening directly out of the living room; sometimes out of the dining room. While this may not always be objectionable, there are times when such placing of the rooms cuts down their usefulness one-half, and makes them inconvenient.

The layout of rooms illustrated in the diagram for this design deserves careful study along this line. The three bedrooms (one is labeled "sewing room"), are placed together at the back of the house. They all open into a 6 by 13 foot inside hall. Into this same hall the living room, kitchen and bathroom also open. With the living room door closed the front of the house is entirely separated from the rest.

As in all truly up-to-date residences the living room is very large, 16 feet 6 inches by 23 feet. There is an open fire place at the far end and a cozy built-in seat in the window nook at the front.



Main Floor Plan

Both this room and the adjoining dining room have ornamental ceiling beams. The dining room is a pleasant apartment, 12 by 14 feet. The kitchen is just back of it. The side porch is the kitchen porch, a desirable feature. Housekeepers will relish the large, well lighted pantry with its broad work shelf and two cupboard cases.

The cellar stairs go down out of the

This bungalow requires a good sized lot. Fifty feet would do nicely. Construction is standard balloon framing, sheathed and papered and then covered with metal lath. The cement plaster is laid on in three coats, and forms a durable fire-resisting, waterproof siding. The final finishing cost of the stucco may be treated in any one of several ways. It may be worked rough—what is called "slap-dash," or "pebble-dash"—or it may be finished smooth. Many prefer the rough cast finishes, as having more character.

In color also there is a wide selection. The natural cement gray is a pleasing tone, harmonizing nicely with window, door, and cornice trimmings of white, light green, or yellow. Or the cement work may be painted darker and some striking effects worked out. Special paints are offered that not only color the cement surface, but also water-proof and preserve it.

This design, illustrated, will work out very attractively in any of these styles, and will blend naturally with the building site to produce a thoroughly desirable home place.

When building a home it is always wise to select a popular, distinctive design; for such will never stand vacant waiting a tenant or purchaser.



How to Do Work Fast-Setting Door Jambs

By I. P. Hicks, Builder and Estimator

HE setting of door jambs is more or less a particular job, and with some it is rather slow work. It is like all other work-not so slow if you know how to proceed to the best advantage. To begin with, it will well pay every contractor to be quite particular about setting partitions. Be quite sure that partitions are set plumb and true. It will save quite a bit of time setting door jambs if the studding are set just right. Partitions are often set out of the last end of the studding after all the best and straight studding have been picked out and used up in other parts of the work. This, of course, can not always be avoided, but if it is a possible thing, save out enough straight studding to set next to the doors. If the studding are carefully set, the opening need be only 21/2 inches wider than the door to be used. Some allow 3 inches, but this leaves too much space between the jambs and studding to wedge up and fur out. If the studding are as they should be, 1/2 inch space between the studding and jambs is plenty for adjusting and plumbing up the frame.

Shingles are the best to use for furring out and to wedge up with. By taking two shingles, slipping one past the other, they can be adjusted to any required thickness very quickly, and it makes much faster the work of truing up door jambs. It is often the case that floors are not exactly level, but it is necessary that the head jamb be level, otherwise, when the side jambs are plumbed up the frame will not be square.

To begin with, stand the frame in the opening temporarily and try the level on the head jamb. If any out of level, make a mark on the jamb on the high side, showing how much it is out of level and cut this much off the bottom of the high side jamb. Always put a small mark on the jamb and on the floor so that you will be sure to get the frame back in the way it belongs. Also try your level on the studding to see which side is the nearest correct as to being straight and plumb, then nail in the jamb on this side first, being careful to see that it is just right, then true up the other side, keeping the door the same width from top to bottom. It is a good plan to have a board cut to width of doors for a bottom guide.

It is far the best to have a level attached direct to a straight edge for setting door jambs. It will save much time and is more accurate. There are on the market good level and plumb glasses that can be had for this purpose. There are some also that are no good because of the insecure adjustment. To be good the adjustment must be a substantial feature of the tool, otherwise a few jolts will displace the level glass and then it is an unreliable tool. Select a level that is quick acting.

When the bubble stops on the center of a quickacting plumb or level it is more likely to be right than the slow-moving one, because the real slow level or plumb will keep moving so long after you think it is right that you can never tell when anything is exactly right by it.

Any good mechanic should be able to take door jambs in the knock-down as they come from the mill and be able to nail them together and set them properly in place in the building at the rate of not less than two frames an hour, and I know of men that will do three frames an hour. I do not mean to case the opening; what I mean is nailing the jambs together as a jamb frame, and setting this in the opening, wedged up true and nailed in place ready to case up. It is a good thing to nail a lath across the top and bottom on one side, letting them stick over about the same as a casing; this will serve as a sort of guide in setting the frame just right for casing-up. One can not be too careful in this important work of setting frames.

The case of finishing and the quality of the finished work depends to a large extent upon how well the jambs are set. Real good jobs must be good all the way through from start to finish. It is possible to give and take a little here and there and to cover up some bad work; but that is not what the readers of the American Carpenter and Builder want; and I do not want it—I want to see every reader a wide-awake man, one that always stands ready to "holler" hurrah for the best. Let our motto be: First, do your work right; after that, do as much of it as you can by the most approved methods.

CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION

Freezing Weather no Bar to Concrete Work

PRESENT-DAY CONTRACTORS USING SIMPLE HEATING EQUIPMENT AND OBSERVING WELL-TESTED RULES TO PUSH FORWARD THEIR WORK IN THE COLDEST SEASONS

By Paul Chesterton

E XPERIENCE in the handling of concrete has shown the cement worker that it is no longer necessary to suspend all concrete construction during the cold months of the year for fear that the concrete may freeze and thus become valueless as a building material.

Until our builders became accustomed to handling concrete in a scientific manner, and began to recognize the chemical changes which take place during the setting of concrete, it was the custom to stop all important concrete work just as soon as cold weather set in. These workers now realize that a definite period of time is necessary for the chemical action between the cement and water to take place; and if this action is not interfered with during this period of setting, there is but little danger of disastrous effects from freezing alone after this time has passed.

Our experimenters have determined that it takes a considerable amount of time for the concrete to harden and come to its full strength, even after this preliminary setting stage has passed. This knowledge helps the concrete worker in determining the amount of time that should elapse between the placing of the concrete and the removal of the forms which hold the concrete in position until it has obtained its own true strength.

Expensive concreting machinery and equipment are now used practically throughout the whole year, thus allowing a great saving in the expense of maintaining an organization and plant equipment such as is used in work of any great importance or magnitude. Idle machinery and plant in general represent an investment upon which the interest charges are increasing, while no returns are coming from it to the owners. It is true that the handling of concrete during freezing weather is more expensive than under ordinary conditions, but the additional expense is so slight as compared with idle equipment, that the balance is in favor of continuous working of plant.

There is no longer need for specifications to demand that concreting be stopped at the approach of cold weather, if provision is made that care shall be taken during this period of the year to place the material in the forms at a temperature such that freezing will not

occur until after the concrete has set, and that precautions shall also be taken to maintain the heat in the concrete as long as necessary for proper hardening after setting.

While it is generally accepted by engineers at the present time, that concrete can be handled, in spite of cold weather, in such a way as not to invite failure, it is also true that unless the contractor provides the proper plant for observing precautions necessary during construction, work of no kind should be attempted at temperatures below 32 degrees Fahrenheit.

Why Precaution is Necessary

Protection against freezing is necessary on account of the effect of frost upon the surface finish of the work where alternate freezing and thawing occur, and also upon the structure of a mass of concrete itself. Surfaces will scale off to the depth of about 1/16 of an inch, thus disfiguring the face of the work. Alternate freezing and thawing will cause a breaking down of the body of the concrete, resulting in a worthless condition.

Another condition which is not so plainly brought to notice as those just referred to, is the dangerous effect of the delayed setting of the cement in the concrete. Cold may delay this setting for so long a period that forms may be removed from under load-bearing members before the members have taken on their full strength. Cases have occurred where the cement was so delayed in setting that after forms were removed the members did not have strength enough to hold even their own weight in place. This may readily be seen to be a very dangerous condition of affairs in any type of building.

In sidewalk work, unless precaution is taken to protect the surface of the walk from freezing until the material has taken on the required amount of hardness, there is danger of scaling to such an extent that the walk will be ruined for service.

Effect of Frost on Aggregates

Frost may affect aggregates in two ways. A coating of ice or frozen material on the particles of sand or crushed stone will prevent the bonding action necessary between the particles when the cement grout is

mixed into the mass in making concrete. All particles of sand and stone should be clean, and free from foreign material, so that the mixture of stone, sand, and cement may readily become a monolithic mass through the chemical action of the water on the cement. Where the bonding action of the cement is delayed by the melting of ice from the surface of the particles, the setting process has advanced so far that the firm bond which would occur under normal conditions has been partially lost. Cold sand and stone will delay the setting of the cement in just the same manner that cold from any other source will delay the same action. Experiments have proved that the setting of the cement is hastened by a warm condition in the mass of material, thus showing that this condition should be approximated for most favorable results during cold weather.

How to Prevent Damage from Cold

The methods in common use for overcoming the danger from freezing may be summed up under two general headings:

(1) The aggregates may be heated to such a degree that they will stay warm until the concrete has set; or (2) the freezing point of the concrete mixture may be lowered by the use of some material mixed into the concrete so that, within a limited range of temperature, the concrete will set before it freezes.

Heating the Materials

If actual heating is to be employed, the sand and stone may be heated, or the mixing water may be heated and used with cold aggregate. If the mixing water alone is heated, there is likely to be danger of cooling of the water in melting snow or ice from the particles of aggregate, thus preventing the actual warming of the aggregates which is desired.

Where the freezing point of the mixture is to be lowered, the mixing water may contain a small percentage of common salt or of calcium chloride.

In some cases a combination of any two or all of these methods may be used.

Where the sand and stone are heated, some form of heater is necessary. The sand and stone may be piled over metal stoves of a crude nature, or may be



Fig. 1. A Type of Portable Sand-Heater

heated by the use of steam pipes or jets either in an enclosure or in the open. Figs. I and 2 show types of apparatus used in heating sand and crushed stone. This type of apparatus may consist of almost anything from a piece of sheet metal bent into a curve and inverted, up to an elaborate portable oven on wheels. Metal culvert pipe has been used to good advantage in many cases for heating materials, but is of



Fig. 2. Culvert Pipe with Fire in One End, for Heating Aggregates

greater service when fitted with a small stack and fired from one or both ends. Old boilers or other scrap material which are of no

service for any other purpose may be used profitably in this line of work, provided they are not too heavy to move around as the case demands. The small portable heater shown in Fig. 1 is very useful in work where the location changes rapidly, as in the case of street-railway or pavement work.

Where sand and stone are to be heated by steam, the steam pipes may be arranged in the form of coils over which the materials are piled; or the steam may be introduced into piles of the material by attaching short pieces of iron pipe to lengths of hose leading from the boiler, and sticking these pipes into the piles of material at various places, thus allowing the steam to escape through the materials. Where the latter procedure is followed, pieces of canvas or tarpaulins should be placed over the piles of material.

In large building work, it is not uncommon to have material storage bins fitted with 1½-inch diameter pipes, in which small holes are drilled 2 or 3 feet apart so that jets of steam may escape and circulate through the materials.

Crushed stone requires much more heat than sand, or sand and gravel mixed, on account of the greater volume of the air-spaces in the crushed stone.

The use of steam in heating aggregates has the advantage of not damaging the material which is placed near the heater, as will often be the case where sand or stone are piled directly upon a very hot surface. Contact with a hot surface may cause sand to turn red, and stone or gravel will soften or crack. A temperature not to exceed 150 degrees Fahrenheit will generally prove the most satisfactory, although the average ranges from 100 to 150 degrees.

Where the mixing water is heated, several forms of heating devices may be used with success. A steam pipe may be run into a water barrel, and left with an open end controlled by a valve; or the water may be heated in a tank by means of a steam coil placed therein. Another method is by a fire in a furnace under the tank, as shown in Fig. 4. Where mixing water is used rapidly, an independent heater is preferable to one supplied with steam from the boiler used in con-

nection with a mixing or hoisting plant, since it is often difficult, in a small boiler, especially in cold weather, to maintain a steam pressure adequate for the combined work required of the boiler.

Engineers differ on the correct temperature to which the mixing water should be heated, but aver-

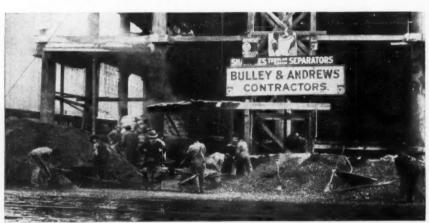


Fig. 3. Sand and Gravel Heated by Steam

age limits may be set between 100 and 200 degrees F. Many consider that 200 degrees may injure the cement, but there does not seem to be any well founded reason for this fear.

Although limits have been stated for temperatures to which the aggregates and water should be heated, it has been found by practice that concrete deposited in the forms at a temperature of from 50 to 70 degrees F. will produce satisfactory results, especially where an effort is made to retain this heat in the concrete, either by means of protective coverings, or by heating the air in contact with the freshly poured material to approximately this same temperature.

Use of Salt and Calcium Chloride

A simple method of preventing damage from frost in cases where the temperature of the air surrounding the concrete is near the freezing point, is to add a small percentage of common salt to the mixing water. This percentage varies with different engineers; but a common understanding seems to be that I per cent of salt for each degree of fall of temperature expected will produce satisfactory results for temperatures above 22 degrees F. This percentage is figured on a basis of the weight of water used; that is, I lb. of salt would be used for each 100 lbs. of water. for each degree fall of temperature.

The objection to the use of salt in the mixing water is that it may weaken the strength of the concrete during setting and may also delay the setting of the cement since it merely adds to the effect of cold upon the set of cement. Again, the use of salt in concrete for reinforce work is likely to produce disastrous effects on the steel used for reinforcement. It is generally considered that the time necessary for setting is considerably increased, and the strength of the concrete at short periods is lowered by the use of any

appreciable amount of common salt.

Calcium chloride has been used with success in quantities not exceeding 2 per cent of the weight of the cement used. This material should be employed with care, since a larger percentage may hasten the set of the concrete to such an extent that it would be

difficult to handle.

Maintaining Temperature in Concrete

As already pointed out, it is of the utmost importance to prevent chilling of the concrete during the setting period. Thus it would seem policy—as long as care has been taken to warm the aggregates and mixing water or to lower the freezing point of the mixture—to add to this effect by providing some means of preventing, as long as possible, the temperature of the concrete from falling. This action will aid in hastening the final hardening of the material.

There are many ways used for providing this maintenance of heat for a time after the concrete has been put into place. Probably the most common and the easiest way is to cover the concrete in such a way way that the initial heat cannot escape; or, if the weather is rather severe, additional heat from either salamanders or steam pipes may be used to keep the work warm. Salamanders are large sheet metal stoves open at the top, in which coke is burned as an open fire. Steam heat may be used either in the shape of live steam escaping from an open pipe and held down upon the work by covering the latter with canvas or tarpaulins, or by enclosing the work with proper coverings and allowing the heat from steam coils or radiators to be in contact with the new concrete.



Fig. 4. Tank Water-Heater Built in Over Brick Furnace

As a sample of the method of using salamanders in building work, after building the forms for the first-story columns and second-story floor-slabs, beams, and girders, but before depositing any concrete, the entire story is housed in with canvas and heated to a temperature of about 60 or 70 degrees F., with salaman-

ders placed at scattered points within the enclosure. The forms for wall columns of the next story above are then placed, and this story also housed in with canvas as soon as possible. Enough canvas is necessary to house in at least two stories at a time, and salamanders should be kept burning on each floor during the time the housing is used. Where the wearing surface is placed with the floor-slab, it is necessary to have housing in place and salamanders burning on each floor before depositing the concrete; otherwise it would be impossible to finish the surface of the floor properly. Fig. 5 shows the method of finishing a floor while the heat is supplied by salamanders suspended from above.

In building work, it has been found that one salamander is required for every 500 to 800 sq. ft. of floor area, in order that the temperature of the air may be maintained at about 60 degrees F. by the use of good coke. In ordinary construction, there is no need of suspending the salamanders unless it is necessary to work on the space under them.

In heavy work where thick masses of concrete are deposited, or in side walls and flat slabs, it may only be necessary to protect the work by covering the freshly poured concrete with building paper or boards, and then with a layer of straw or dry manure 10 to 12 inches thick. It has been found that a layer of manure of the above thickness, if kept dry, will protect heavy work from freezing, for days, at a temperature as low as 10 degrees F. The manure should not be placed in contact with the concrete, on account of the discoloration which may occur. In some cases where manure has been applied directly upon concrete, the surface of the concrete has afterwards suffered slight disintegration. Tight, heavy timber forms should also be used in cases where this form of protection is to be employed.

Chemical Action Raises Temperature

Investigations recently made by W. D. Maxwell, Assistant City Engineer, Des Moines, Ia., shows that in the hardening of concrete the process is accompanied with appreciable rise in temperature. The investigations were made in connection with the construction of a concrete bridge in Des Moines. Readings were taken on thermometers placed in pipes from 5 to 10 feet below the tops of the piers, and from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 10 feet back from the outer faces of the concrete. During the period of hardening, the thermometers showed a variation in temperature of from 15 to 20 degrees, the maximum of increase being reached between 7 and 10 days after the concrete was poured in place. After 10 days the temperature fell steadily to normal. This rise in temperature seems somewhat remarkable, and goes far toward explaining why concrete in large work can be successfully laid in rather cold weather without special precautions.

The amount of additional expense involved in winter jobs will depend mainly upon the character of the work under construction and the methods of protection used. Labor is more plentiful and cheaper in the winter than during the summer months; but is not so efficient, especially during very cold weather. Materials may not vary in price; but deliveries are more prompt and can be counted upon with greater certainty during cold weather. Although a little more outlay is required for plant and maintenance of same, it has been found that the cost of winter work, where carefully planned equipment is used, will show an in-

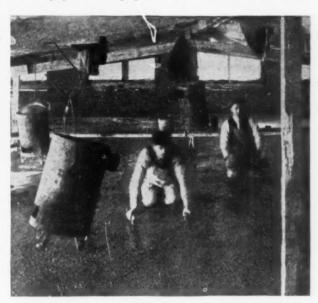


Fig. 5. Salamanders Suspended from Hooks Above, During Finishing of Floors

crease of from 2 to 5 per cent of the total cost of the work at other seasons. It is true that a large amount of lumber will be needed for forms, since they will have to be left in place longer. There will also be an initial outlay for canvas necessary to enclose the work, where heat is to be maintained in the interior of the building.

In all concrete work performed in cold weather, it is a fact that one dollar spent in heating the materials at the time of mixing is of more effectiveness than several dollars spent in trying to heat cold concrete after it is in place.

Forms

Tight, well-made forms of heavy material are a necessity where cold weather is to be met, or where it is desired to hold the temperature in concrete. This is more essential in thin structures than in massive walls and foundations, for the latter will hold their own heat longer on account of their thickness. Plain mass work, such as retaining walls and abutments, will not require the same care and protection as thin walls, columns, beams, and floor-slabs.

Lumber forms are non conductors, and will retain the heat in the concrete up to a certain point; but the concrete should be protected on top, as already described.

In the case of thin walls, as in the case of buildings where the walls are not enclosed in canvas and some

form of artificial heat supplied, additional protection may be obtained by the method shown in Fig. 6. Heavy paper is nailed to the vertical posts of the forms, thus leaving an enclosed air-space between each pair of posts. These air-spaces will have about 15 degrees higher temperature than the outside air.

Length of Time Heat is Needed

It is commonly considered that mass concrete which has been deposited warm in the forms and protected for at least 48 hours from freezing is no longer in danger; although it is preferable to allow it a few days

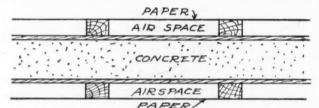


Fig. 6. Paper Tacked to Wooden Supports to Protect Concrete from Frost

more for hardening, if possible. Concrete takes on hardness and strength very slowly at low temperatures. For bridges, buildings, and other thin reinforced concrete work where the stresses in the concrete are other than direct compression, additional protection is necessary. Such structures should have time to take on considerable strength before the forms are removed, or before the temperature of the concrete is allowed to approach the freezing point. In some instances the work has been kept warm for 4 to 9 days by the use of heaters. If concrete freezes before it is well hardened, it is likely to appear hard and well set when it may be really only frozen hard, and not capable of carrying its own weight. Where the supporting forms are removed from under concrete of this nature, damage is sure to result.

Rules: When Safe to Remove Forms

The best contractors have definite rules for the minimum time the forms must be left in ordinary weather; and then these times are lengthened for changes in conditions, according to the judgment of the foreman. Conference with a number of prominent contractors in various parts of the country indicates substantial agreement in the minimum time to leave forms in place. As a guide to practice, the following rules are suggested, these following in the main the requirements of one large construction company.

Walls in mass work—I to 3 days, or until the concrete will bear pressure of the thumb without indentation.

Thin walls—in summer, 2 days; in cold weather, 5 days.

Slabs up to 6 feet span—in summer, 6 days; in cold weather, 2 weeks.

Beams and girders and long-span slabs—in summer, 10 days or 2 weeks; in cold weather, 3 weeks to 1 month. If shores are left without disturbing them, the

time of removal of the sheeting in summer may be reduced to I week.

Column forms—in summer, 2 days; in cold weather, 4 days, provided girders are shored to prevent appreciable weight reaching columns.

Conduits—2 or 3 days, provided there is not a heavy fill upon them.

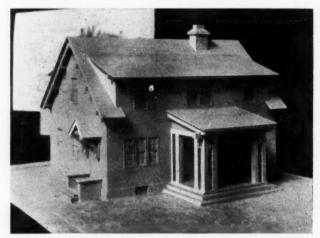
Arches—of small size, I week; for large arches with heavy dead load, I month.

All of these times are, of course, simply approximate, the exact time varying with the temperature and moisture of the air and the character of the construction. Even in summer, during a damp, cloudy period, wall forms sometimes cannot be removed inside of 5 days, with other members in proportion. Occasionally, too, batches of concrete will set abnormally slowly, either because of slow-setting cement or because of impurities in the sand; and the foreman and inspector must watch carefully to see that the forms are not removed too soon. Trial with a pick may assist in reaching a decision.

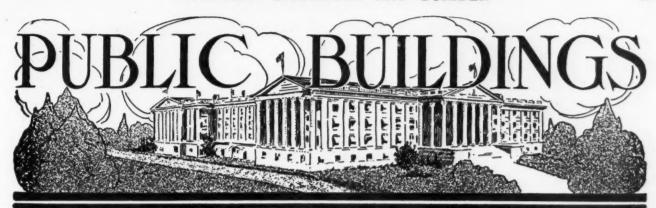
Beams and arches of long span must be supported for a longer time than short spans, because the dead load is proportionally large, and therefore the compression in the concrete is large even before the live load comes upon it.

"Model Village House and Yard" Competitions

Two important competitions will be opened this year in Minnesota, intended to directly benefit the people throughout the state, and to demonstrate the application of art to home needs and practical usages. Following the successful "Model Farm Home" competition of a year ago, the Minnesota State Art Commission has offered \$500, to be awarded in six prizes, for the best design for a "Model Village House"; this house to be applicable to both rural and urban needs. It is the first time in the history of any state in the Union that such problems have been promoted by state competition and funds. There will also be offered \$350, divided into five prizes, for an architectural landscape competition. This competition has been called a "Model Farm Yard." It will be applicable to rural and village needs. All of the information gathered from these two competitions will be turned over to the people of the state in the early spring; the ultimate result will be that of approaching the problem "Town and City Beautiful."



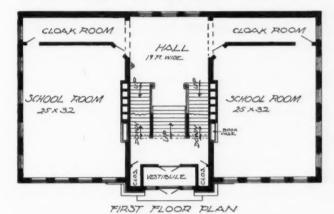
Miniature of First Prize Farm House in Last Year's Competition (For Plans see May, 1913, "A. C. & B.")

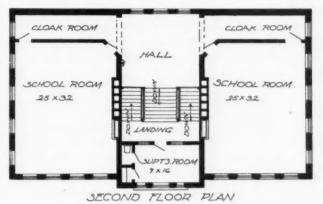


Modern School at Burnham, Ill.

The four-room school building recently dedicated at Burnham, Illinois, is illustrated. It is constructed

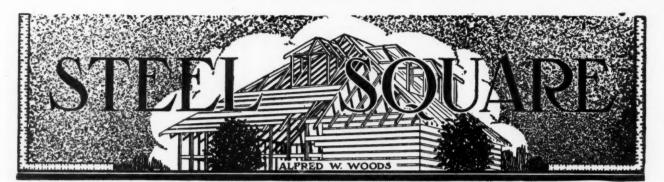
of dark brown pressed brick with wide stone trimmings, slate roof. Later a rear half will be added, duplicating the part already built.







Attractive four-room school building at Burnham, Illinois, Designed by G. W. Ashby, Architect, Chicago



What is the Pitch of a Roof?

A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF PITCH AS APPLIED TO THE SLOPE GIVEN THE ROOF AND HOW TO RECKON IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE STEEL SQUARE

By A. W. Woods

E are going to take for our subject this month, pitch; everybody knows what it means, but comparatively few know how to apply it knowingly to the slope given the roof. Even among builders, there are a variety of opinions as to what designates a given slope to the roof. We once heard a knowing fellow contend that the proper way to designate pitch was to let each inch in rise to the foot run of the rafter represent a full pitch and the fractions between the inch divisions, fractions of pitch. That is, a one inch rise would be a one pitch; an inch and a quarter would be a pitch and a quarter, and so on clear up higher than roofs ever go. By this way of reckoning he claimed everybody would understand it and, consequently, nobody could go wrong on such an elevating subject.

Speaking about misunderstanding on the subject of pitch, calls to mind a case when a "city farmer" wanted a barn built on his farm. He let the job to a contractor to build it for him. Everything was planned for the arrangement and, among other things, it was to have a 1/3 pitch. Mr. Contractor turned the work over to his foreman and he with his men went out and built the barn, and then the owner and contractor went out to take a look at it before making the final settle-

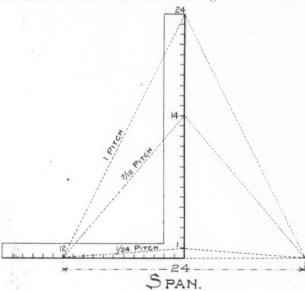
ment, but imagine their surprise to find a very low-pitched roof on it. Mr. Foreman was hastily summoned to appear on the carpet to explain why he did not follow the instructions given him. He claimed that he did as pitches go and enthusiastically went about to prove that he had furnished the real article. But he soon fell down in trying to hold up his end of the argument for, instead of taking one-third of the width of the building, he had only that much of one-half of the width of the building, hence his low roof; and he was a foreman, too, while his helpers laughed and evinced knowing winks, but said they were not foreman.

It was plainly a case of getting only half of what he thought he had, and yet his way of reckoning was not altogether at fault, either. Take it in the case of a lean-to roof, or with a building having the roof sloping one way only, then the accustomed way of reckoning from the width of the building would give the same result as his way of reckoning it, which clearly shows the rule at variance in obtaining same result.

But custom has long since decreed that the proper way of reckoning pitch, or rise which governs the pitch, is in proportion to the span of the gable having a slope each way from its topmost center. A lean-to then, technically speaking, can only be considered as half of a gable.

So far, we have not said a word about the steel square and the part it plays in solving roof pitches. So, to make good, we will finish with the square, which is a wonderful calculating instrument for finding angles for all kinds of work. In connection with the pitch, it may be readily applied as follows:

By letting 12 on the tongue represent the run for one foot, the length of the blade (24 inches) will represent the corresponding span. That being the case, the figures on the blade are to the pitch as they are to the length of the blade. Thus: I inch is 1/24 pitch; 2 inches, 1/12; 3 inches, ½ pitch, and so on to the end of the blade, which, being 24 inches, is equal the span and is, therefore, one pitch. It cannot be anything else, because if there is such a thing as ¼,



Roof Pitches on the Steel Square

1/3, 1/2, 3/4, etc., pitch, it must get full somewhere along the line and, according to the reckoning of the above mentioned fractional pitches, it becomes full at the 24-inch rise to one foot.

The illustration clearly illustrates this point. Here are shown the 1/24 pitch, 7/12 pitch, and the one, or full pitch.

A 25-inch rise would be one and a twenty-fourth pitch; a 48 rise would be two pitches, and thus continue getting full and fuller as the rise increases, but could never become perpendicular because it would always be off 12 inches at the base; or, in other words, 12 inches out of plumb, no difference what the pitch may be. Twelve and the rise, or their ratio in all cases, will give the seat and plumb cuts for the common rafter, and 17 and the rise will give the same for the hip or valley.

We hope we have made the subject clear by presenting a simple way of mental calculation in reckoning the pitch in connection with the steel square. For instance, to find what 7/12 pitch is, it may be reckoned thus: 24 divided by 12 equals 2, times 7 equals 14 inches. Therefore, a 14-inch rise is 7/12 pitch.

The Steel Square QUESTION BOX

Length and Cuts for Uneven Pitches

To the Editor: Sou

Will you illustrate the method for getting the lengths of the different jack rafters on valleys or hips where the pitch is different?

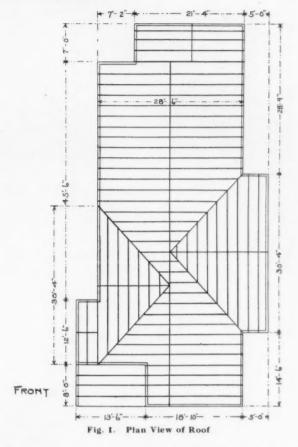
I herewith enclose the plan of a roof which I am called upon to frame sometime during this winter, and when I get at it I want to do it right.

GEO. S. LABOSSIERE.

Answer: It will be noted that the span of the main roof is 28 feet 6 inches and that of the side gables are 30 feet 4 inches; thus the respective runs will be 14 feet 3 inches and 15 feet 2 inches. Nothing is said about what the pitch is and it is just as well, because it does not matter, as it can be anything desired.

The run, as mentioned, forms the basis from which to begin. Therefore, we lay off a parallelogram, using the runs for the length and width of same. This forms the area of the plan covered by the parts of the two roofs in question, as shown in Fig. 2. Drawing the diagonal line through the parallelogram will represent the run of the valley.

Now, we are ready for the pitch and so we lay off the rise, as shown for both gables, which, in this case, are of equal height. Next, we lay off the respective common rafters and in the plan we lay off the runs of the respective jacks, as shown. Now, since a jack is a part of a common rafter, by drawing lines at right angles from the individual runs at the intersecting point with the valley, to the pitch line, the common rafter will be divided into the different lengths, as required for the jacks. Here they are showing as though the jacks were laid on top of one another in their regular order. Both sides must be treated in like manner. On the other hand, if the runs had been of equal length, then only one-half of this operation would be necessary, as both sides would be alike.



For the side cut of jack to fit against the side of the valley, take a scale on the steel square, the run of the common rafter on one gable and the length of the common rafter on the other gable; these will give the angle for the cut. The side of the square on which the length is taken, will give the cut for that side and, of course, it is understood that the run and rise taken on the square will give the seat and plumb cuts.

The tangent and length of the valley taken on the square will give the side cuts of the valley to fit in the angle formed by the ridge pieces. The side of the square on which the length is taken will give the angle.

A. W. Woods.

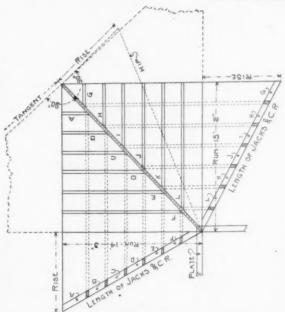


Fig. 2. Framing Diagrams for Uneven Pitches



We Discover the Great Advantage

AVAILABLE, CLEANABLE, DURABLE, ECONOMICAL—YES, ALL THESE: BUT THE "OWNER-PLEASING" POWER OF TERRA COTTA IS WHAT GETS THE MONEY

E went through a terra cotta factory the other day; one of those factories where they make that beautiful, smooth, white terra cotta that is being used more and more as a trimming for brick buildings. The process of manufacture was complicated and very technical and most interesting; but the most interesting thing of all was the final product, the terra cotta itself. It struck us at

the first glance, and the deeper we looked into it the more we were convinced that here is a building material, a trim, that every builder in the country should use.

There is no need to remind you that a pleased owner is the best advertisement that a builder has. Well, this terra cotta as a trim has got more "ownerpleasing" points about it than anything we have seen in a long time.

We are not talking now of the old-fashioned red and buff terra cotta, but of white enamel terra cotta. In the first place its smooth, white surface makes the handsomest kind of contrast to the rich reds and yellows of brickwork. Just that contrast necessary

to give life and attractiveness to the appearance of any building. Then, it does not stain or weather. All the scrubbing in the world will not restore the original color to stone after it has been exposed to dust, rain and smoke. And a galvanized iron cornice must be painted every two years at least, or it rusts to pieces. Terra cotta will get dirty, of course, like anything else exposed to the weather, but all it needs is a pail of water and soap, a sponge, and a strong right arm to make it just as clean and white and new looking as the day it was put up.

Think of the blessings showered upon the builder by the neat and tidy housewife whose home is trimmed with terra cotta, who can wash the window sills, the porch rail and the door trim as easily and as often as she does the windows, thus keeping the house looking as "shining bright" outside as in—his praise will

be ever on her lips, and she will bless him. A new and attractive building has an advertising value that must not be overloked. Tenants are eager to get located in such buildings and will gladly pay higher rent than they would for space in an older and less attractive building. That enhanced value remains only so long as the building retains its original bright

and new appearance.

A building trimmed with terra cotta stands out from among its neighbors, in the very beginning, like a day of sunshine in the middle of a week of rain. But

best of all, that original brightness and freshness is permanent, without the necessity of costly painting or repairs with their attendant discomfort to the tenants. And if ever the owner decides to sell his building he will not have to look far for a purchaser.

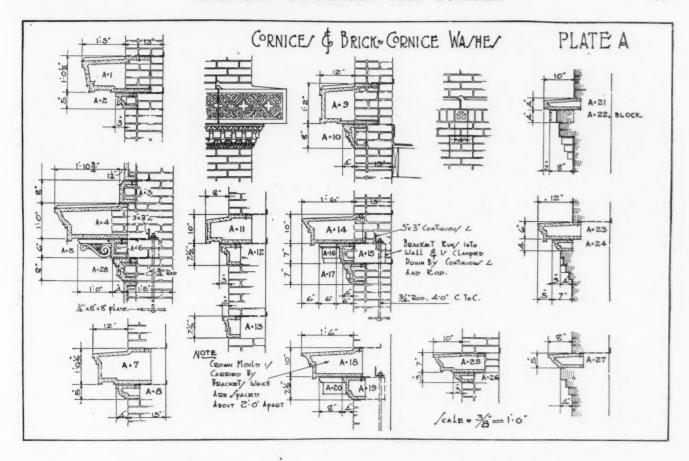
A new building, either faced entirely or merely trimmed with terra cotta, is a tremendous stimulant to the building operations of any town or city. The success which such a building achieves rapidly spreads the building fever and creates new work and "bigger

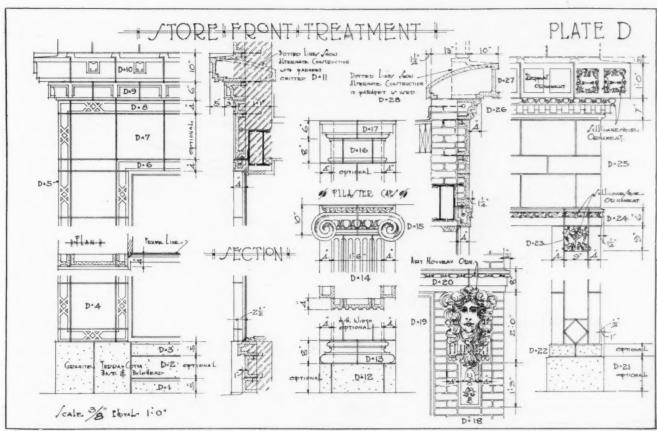
building business." And it is certainly worth while financially and every other way to point with pride at the best looking building in town and claim it as his handiwork. It means that he is going to get the order for the next building that is built with terra cotta on it, which means the next building that is built—and many more to come.

We have not yet said a thing about the detail plates which we reproduce upon the two following pages. We have placed them here because we believe they show something of the simplicity, the beauty and the wide application of terra cotta. Besides that, they are full of ideas that are useful to any man who has before him the problem of designing a good looking building.

Simplicity of design is the point toward which modern building thought is leading: Straight forceful lines, little ornament, rich and beautiful.







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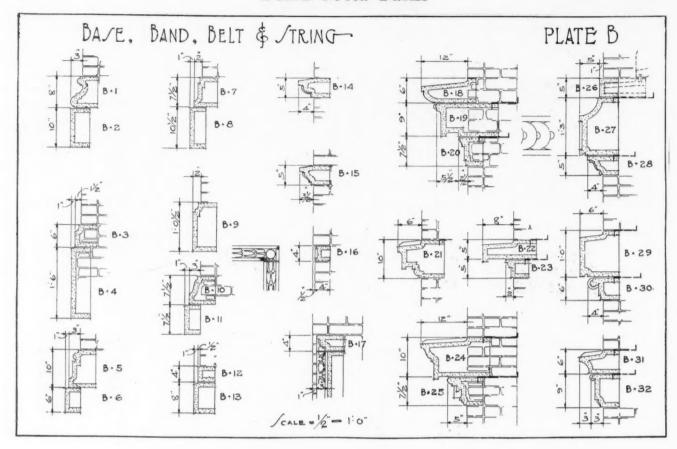
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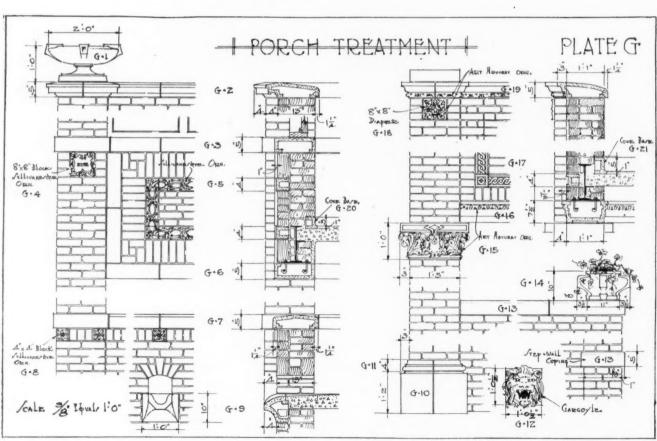
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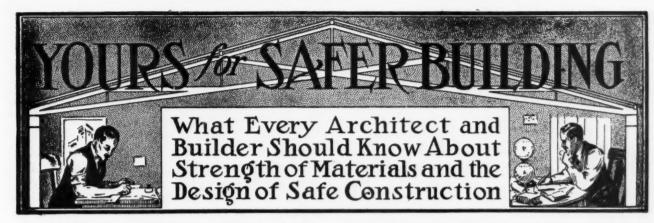
Three-eighths inch scale drawings showing standard practice in the use of architectural terra cotta for the trim of brick buildings.

These, and many other terra cotta pieces are now carried in stock for immediate delivery





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Noon Hour Talks by the Boss Carpenter

Talk No. 19-Reinforced Concrete Columns

T DIFFERENT METHODS OF REINFORCING CONCRETE COLUMNS, FORMULA FOR FIGURING COLUMNS WITH CENTRAL LOAD.

material is taking its place among the recognized forms of construction," said the Boss, "builders are daily confronting problems involving the important consideration of strength of the material in question, when applied to the various forms of construction to which it is adapted. Since so great a part of the stability of a modern concrete building depends upon the strength and rigidity of its girders and columns, too much care cannot be used in the proper proportioning of sizes and ingredients in order to obtain safety.

"A comparison of methods of reinforcing concrete columns shows that they may be divided into the following classes:

- (a) Longitudinal reinforcement by use of steel rods.
- (b) Hooped or banded reinforcement.
- (c) A combination of these first two methods.
- (d) Structural steel members filled with concrete.

"Investigators consider, from the behavior of the concrete in tests made upon the above-named classes, that two general headings may be used to cover these four: namely,

- (1) Longitudinal reinforcement only.
- (2) Banded or hooped reinforcement.

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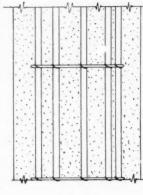
"When the method of longitudinal reinforcement by the use of steel rods is used, the construction is of a nature similar to that shown in Fig. 49. The rods are placed near the corners for a square column, and distributed around the circumference of a circle in case of a round column. In each case they are placed at a distance in from the outside surface of the column sufficient to insure their being protected from danger of fire. A distance of 2 inches is considered ample, under ordinary conditions. It may also be well to speak at this time of the advisability of beveling or rounding all sharp corners or edges of concrete as an added protection. In order to hold these longitudinal rods firmly in place during the placing and setting of the concrete, hoops or bands of steel are placed at

OW that the use of concrete as a building intervals not farther apart than the least dimension of the column. These bands are considered by many engineers to form an additional safeguard against the buckling of the rods in the column; but Taylor and Thompson state that tests have shown that buckling would not occur when the rods were placed at least 2 inches in from the outside of the column, until the elastic limit of the steel was reached. Since this condition of loading should not be allowed, it would seem that these widely spaced bands play but little part in the actual strength of the column.

"The object of using longitudinal steel rods arranged as stated above, is to provide a resistance to secondary stresses in the column caused by an eccentric application of the applied load, or settlements which tend to change the distribution of stress in the concrete. The ratio of cross-section of steel as compared with crosssection of column within protective coating, usually varies from I to 21/2 per cent.

"The type of reinforcement referred to under (b), and shown in one form in Fig. 50, may also be composed of riveted or welded banded or hoops joined together by light, vertical spacers, simply intended to hold reinforcement in position while placing the concrete. The object of this method is more to bind the concrete together and aid it in resisting heavy pressures than to provide reinforcement against accidental tensile stresses. Where liability of eccentric loading is to be met and the size of the column is to be kept down, a combination of this method of hooping with the longitudinal bar method would seem to give better security. The amount of reinforcement in this type is specified to be at least I per cent of the volume of the column enclosed. The clear spacing of the bands or hoops should not be greater than 1/4 of the diameter of the enclosed column. Care must be taken in this type of column to keep the bands or coil in place during the construction of the column, in order that there may be the correct amount of protective coating, as previously stated, over the steel. Another point in connection with this is the importance of keeping the internal core of the column straight, that all parts may be concentric in resisting pres-

"Type of reinforcement referred to under (c) is a common type, and seems to combine goods points from both (a) and (b). Figs. 51 and 52 show two examples of this type. The illustrations show for themselves the manner of combining the two methods. The object of this combination is to unite the rigidity provided by the longitudinal rods, with the toughness caused by the encircling bands or spirals. As in previous types, a protective coating



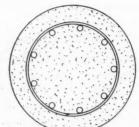


Fig. 49. Plan of Column and Elevation of Reinforcement Showing Protective Covering. Longitudinal Reinforcement Only

of 2 inches of concrete is provided for the exterior of the steel, and the effective area of column is considered to be that enclosed by the hooping. The amount of steel used in columns of this type varies from 1 to 4 per cent in case of the logitudinal steel, with I per cent or a little over for the looping. These percentages are stated in terms of volume within the protective covering of the column-that is, the volume enclosed by the spiral or hooping. One claim for this type is that the hooping holds the concrete together up to a degree of deformation which allows the steel in the longitudinal

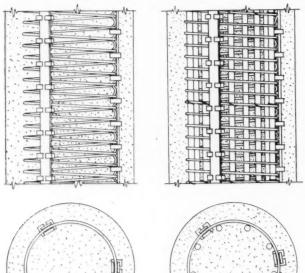
reinforcement to be stressed up to its elastic limit. This allows a working strength larger than would be considered safe in longitudinal reinforcement alone.

"The type of column referred to as (d) may come under either one of the general headings (1) or (2). An illustration of this type is shown in Fig. 53; but this type should be kept distinct from structural steel work, which is figured to carry the load in itself, and which is merely protected from fire by the addition of a concrete coating. In this type of column, shown in Fig. 53, the interior may be figured to carry its part of the load, while the exterior is for protective purposes.

"The object of using this method of reinforcing is that a large amount of steel may be used, when desired, in a form that allows it to act as a column in itself. This method may be employed to advantage when not too great loads are to be supported while the concrete is setting. An objection which may be raised, is that the concrete is likely not to adhere as well to the flat surfaces of structural shapes as it would to smaller bars. In order that a column of this kind may have the quality of toughness and strength which characterizes the hooped type, bands or lattice should be used, of such a nature that the concrete will be well confined within the steel work. This type requires care in placing the concrete so that it may flow well around and cover all of the steel.

"If structural shapes alone are used for reinforcing purposes, they are considered in the same manner as longitudinal rods.

"Now that the methods of locating the steel used for reinforcing purposes in ordinary types have been shown," said the Boss, "it may be in place to refer to



g. 50. Plan of Column and Elevation of Reinforcement Showing Protective Covering. Hooped or Spiral Rein-forcement with Spacers Only

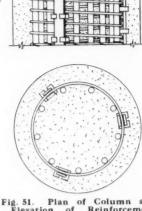
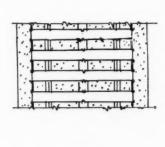


Fig. 51. Plan of Column and Elevation of Reinforcement Showing Protective Covering. Spiral Reinforcement with Longitudinal Rods



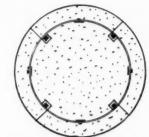


Fig. 52. Plan Elevation of Reinford Showing Protective Cov Banded Reinforcement Longitudinal Rods Plan of Column and Reinforcement

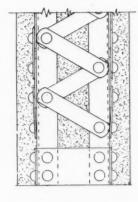




Fig. 53. Plan of Column and Elevation of Reinforcement. Structural Reinforcement

the limiting lengths of reinforced concrete columns as designated by various building codes.

"It has been noticed by investigators that the effect of the ratio of length of column to diameter or least dimension does not have much effect until a ratio of from 20 to 25 has been reached. The majority of reported tests on full-size columns are made with a ratio in the neighborhood of 10 or 12. With these ratios, what would be called a failure in actual construction occurs before side bending takes place. With a view to insuring the degree of safety indicated by results of careful tests, the following cities have restricted this ratio as follows:

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"The National Board of Fire Underwriters recommend the more conservative value of 12.

"A limiting ratio of this sort is a wise provision, since it does away with the use of slender columns, thereby lessening the danger from accidental eccentricity of load. This type of column anticipates a failure by direct compression or shear, instead of by lateral flexure."

As a measure of the dependence to be placed upon the behavior of concrete when reinforced by one of the methods described and referred to above, the Boss now wrote down the recommendations of the Joint Committee on Concrete and Reinforced Concrete, as published in the Proceedings of the American Society for Testing Materials, as follows, the relative working stresses in the concrete to be for static loads:

Type (a). Same as for concentric compression on a plain concrete column. This is 22.5 per cent of the compressive strength at 28 days, or 450 pounds per square inch, for 2,000 pounds concrete composed of I part Portland cement and 6 parts aggregate.

Type (b). Stresses in concrete, 20 per cent higher than those given in (a).

Type (c). When reinforced with not less than 1 per cent and not more than 4 per cent of longitudinal bars, together with bands or hoops, as previously described, stresses in concrete may be 45 per cent greater than in (a).

Type (d). When concrete core is thoroughly encased, same as in (c).

"Wherever longitudinal reinforcement is used," said the Boss, "it is figured to carry its proportion of stresses in proportion to the moduli of elasticity of the steel and concrete. This is commonly taken as 15. The hoops or bands are not to be counted upon as a direct source of strength.

"The Joint Committee recommends that where bending stresses due to eccentric loads must be provided for, the column section should be increased until the maximum stress does not exceed those just stated.

"A common type of formula for figuring sizes of columns is found in many textbooks and is based upon united action between the steel and concrete, each one carrying its part of the stress. By observing the values for stresses in concrete as recommended by the Joint Committee, safe results should follow."

The Boss gave this formula as recommended by the Committee, which is commonly stated as follows:

$$A = \frac{P}{f_{e} [1 + (n-1) p]}$$

In this formula,

P = Total load to be carried by column, in pounds. A = Area of column cross-section within boundary of protective coating, in square inches.

f = Working strength of concrete, in pounds per square inch.

n = Ratio of moduli of elasticity of steel and concrete—usually 15.

p = Ratio of cross-section of steel to A.

"In order to get total size of column," said the Boss, "the thickness of protective coating as previously referred to must be added to all sides.

"Many modifications of this formula may be used to determine other points, such as the total allowable unit-compression when the area of concrete and percentage of steel are fixed quantities, or to find the percentage of steel to use when the unit-compression on the concrete is a fixed quantity. These are given in different forms by various authors, and may be easily found.

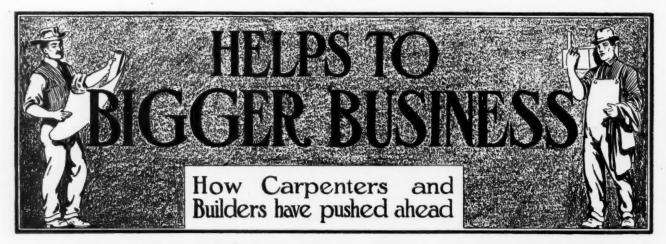
"Where lean or inferior mixtures are used, the working strengths of the concrete must be cut down. In case a richer mixture is used, a higher working strength may be used, depending upon the compressive strength at 28 days. The Joint Committee recommend that this increase shall not exceed 25 per cent."

Advise People to Build Now JOBS WILL BE BETTER, SLACKNESS ENABLES MILLS TO GIVE GOOD SERVICE AND MEN WORK WITH GOOD SPIRITS

F a person intends to build in the spring he will be acting wisely to start now instead of waiting," says Peter Lauer, a well known Milwaukee carpenter contractor and builder. "I have always urged this in good times and in bad times. With weather such as we are having now, better progress can be made than most of the time in the spring, for even when winter breaks up there is a long time that the weather is worse than it is in winter.

"A big advantage of building now is the fact that the mills are not so busy. If you go to a mill now with a plan they will get busy and tend to you, but in the spring when they are rushed they won't look at you. Another thing, men work better at this time of the year. They put more quality into their work. In spring they have spring fever and are restless.

"My advice is to start now. The result will be better work more promptly done and at less cost."



My Side Hill Shop and Its Equipment A SUCCESSFUL BUILDER TELLS HOW HE HAS ARRANGED HIS SQUARE SHOP FOR ORDER AND EFFICIENCY—HELPFUL HINTS FOR FOOT—POWER MACHINE OWNERS

To the Editor:

Equality, Ill.

I have read with much interest the letter in correspondence column (D. B. Ross, December, 1913, issue, page 87), and as it seems from this outfit that he is in about the same boat as yours truly, I am sending a layout sketch of my own shop.

Well, yes, Mr. Ross, you certainly are right in liking to see everything in its place, and I want to be set down now as one of that kind myself.

Now, this sketch is self-explanatory and needs no longwinded description to take up space, but I wish to call attention to a few points of advantage, not shown in the drawings.

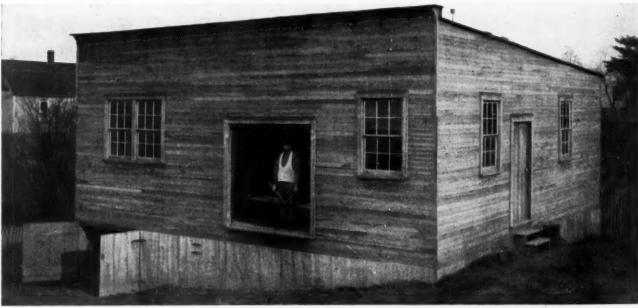
First, but not least, the shop is built on a hillside (sure, we have a few hillsides in southern Illinois), which, in my case, is a decided advantage. How? Well, the southwest corner is 6 inches off the ground and the northwest corner is 6 feet, and all the underpart is enclosed with vertical boxing, which not only makes the workroom much warmer in winter, but provides an excellent store house for house-moving trucks, capstan, rope, jack-screws, ladders, derricks, trestles, stock lumber, coal and all those odds and ends that you don't want in the workroom. So much for the lower room.

First, I wish to call attention to the advantages of a square

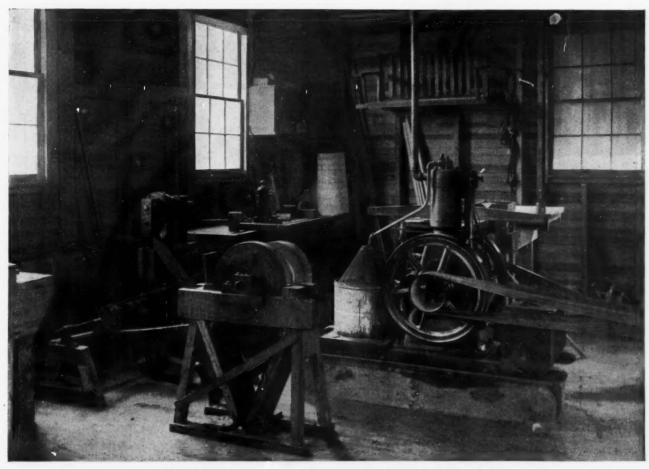
shop, as it can be seen at a glance that while my shop is not large, there is ample room for two or three men to work, making frames, or work of like nature. Note also the



Interior of Shop Looking Toward Office Corner



Contractor Godfrey of Equality, Iii., and his Shop.--This is 32'x33', and all Contracting Gear is Safely Put Away in Space Underneath



View of Engine, Power Grinder, Lathe, and Drum Sander in Godfrey's Shop

central position of the stove—well away from west front it, make a new wood bar for cut-off and turn sliding guide doors.

Now, Mr. Ross, as I use a Barnes No. 4, any new attachment is of interest, but it is not clear to me what part your little cut-off does, unless it is to size the screen mould in width. Is this it?

Now, for your cut-off gauge; if you have not already done

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it, make a new wood bar for cut-off and turn sliding guide in front instead of behind wood bar, thereby putting board to be cut on side of wood bar next to you instead of behind it. The pieces cut off will then be ready to take from the table without having to reach over the wood bar.

I have taken treadle off my machine and run altogether by engine. I drive direct from engine to 16-inch drive pulley on countershaft, and from 16-inch pulley to 2-inch pin pulleys on saw mandrel. I bought an extra pin pulley and use two on saw mandrel and use a $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch belt and hereby gain much belt power. I run my cut-off saw and Huther Brother's dado head at 3,000 r. p. m.J. H. GODFREY,

HE DESTRUCTION TO THE SAW AND THE LEVATION - MORTH SIDE

ALLEY, SOUTH SIDE.

Interior Plan Showing Arrangement of Equipment

Interior Elevation View of North Wall



The Garage Door Problem

PART 3-ARRANGING TRACKS FOR LARGER GARAGES

By E. J. G. Phillips

Engineer with the Richards-Wilcox Mfg. Co.

building as shown in Fig. 12. This type of building allows plenty of room inside for workbench, tools, etc., used in making repairs. Here there is sufficient

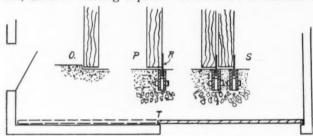


Fig. 12. Details of Storm Tight Sills

wall space to slide a single door parallel with front wall and needs no special comment. This is the simplest form of hanging doors with trolley track and if the door laps the opening from 2 inches to 4 inches we have a reasonably weatherproof job.

Wide Sliding Doors Arranged in Several Small Units

If, however, the small swing door is located in the front wall or if the wall space is too narrow to slide a single door, several other methods can be used as shown in Figs. 13 to 16. Fig. 13 shows one regular

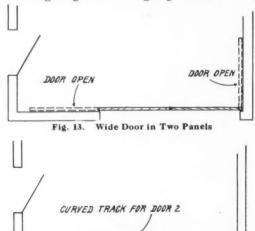


Fig. 14. Doors 1 and 2 Stide on Parallel Tracks

Next consider private garages for one car with sliding door and one right angle door; Fig. 14 shows the main opening close to one side of the front of two doors, one of which slides in a track using a compound curve, while Fig. 15 shows two doors sliding



on parallel tracks. These methods have been fully described.

A single right angle door might be used but if there is not space enough between the car and the door to allow the large door to make the turn, the tracks can be arranged as shown in Fig. 16. A plot of clearance curves for right angle doors of various widths is given in Fig. 17. Referring again to Fig. 16, "2" is a regular right angle door and "I" runs in a curved track.

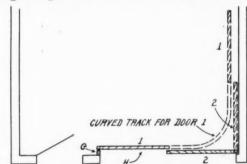


Fig. 16. Right Angle Doors Requiring Minimum Space for Turn

Door No. 1 is opened first and moved down the sidewall and No. 2 is opened afterward. The jamb "G" and the head jamb "H" in this case must also be furred out to meet the doors. The front track for door No. 2 and the entire track for door No. 1 are on the same level, while side track for door No. 2 is set above the front track as previously described for corner doors.

Sliding Doors for Two-Car Garages

A few of the larger garages designed for two or more cars will now be considered.

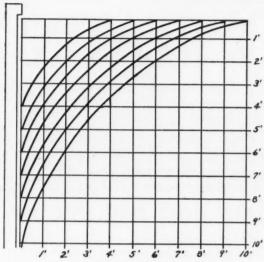


Fig. 17. Clearance Curves for Right Angle Doors of Various Widths

A garage in which the opening occupies the entire front is shown in Figs. 18 and 19. This opening may be closed in several ways; first, if it is necessary to have the entire front open at the same time, the doors may be arranged similar to those shown in Fig. 3 except, of course, that the doors will be larger. It,



however, is seldom necessary to have the entire front clear at the same time and the arrangements shown in Figs. 18 and 19 permit the use of half the opning and are preferable because of their simplicity. Fig. 18

shows a column in the center of the opening and one door hung inside the building, one door outside. Both tracks, of course, extend entirely across the front and the doors can be moved to either side. When closed the doors lap the jambs and the column and a good tight job is secured. If there is no column in the center, the doors may be hung on parallel tracks on the inside of building, using double brackets attached to side of header to support the tracks and the same result is accomplished, see Fig. 19. On rare occasions there may not be headroom enough for the double side wall brackets and in such cases ceiling brackets may be used, attaching either to the ceiling or to the bottom of the head jamb as conditions may require. When using parallel tracks a metal weatherstrip should be used between the tracks and extending

down between the doors, to keep out the weather. This will be taken up in detail later.

In Fig. 20 is shown an opening closed by two doors on parallel tracks, which extend back along the inside wall a sufficient distance to let both doors slide back to clear the opening. In this case the track for door No. I nearest the wall, need only extend as far as the center of the opening, but the other track should extend entirely across the opening. The jamb at "G" is furred out to meet door No. 2 to make a tight job. In this case a wicket door is shown in door No. 2.

Fig. 21 is another example of parallel doors in which four doors are required, doors No. 1 and No. 3 running on one track and doors No. 2 and No. 4 running

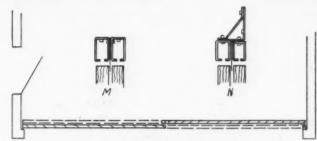


Fig. 19. No Center Column Present

in the other tracks. In this case the wall space was not wide enough to use the method shown in the previous figure. The center column should be furred out to meet doors No. 1 and No. 3, but if there should be no column, the same arrangement may yet be used, doors No. 1 and No. 3 butting together. A special locking arrangement is then required.

Fig. 22 is a modification of Fig. 14.

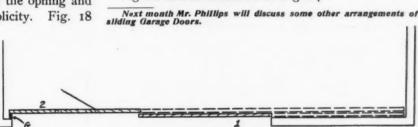


Fig. 20. Two Doors to Slide Back of Side Space

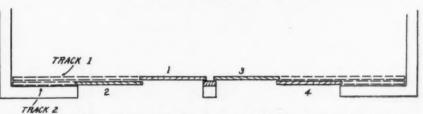


Fig. 21. Both Doors Arranged in two Panels to Slide Back of Narrow Side Space

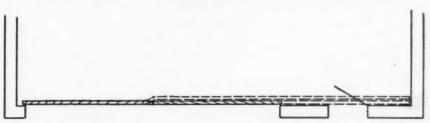


Fig. 22. Doors Slide on Parallel Tracks, but when Open, Close Small Door



Charts for Figuring Steam and Hot Water Radiation

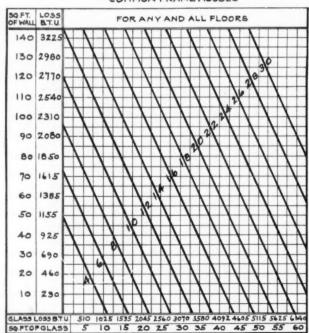
HANDY AND DEPENDABLE SCHEME FOR QUICKLY DETERMINING AMOUNT OF RADIATOR SURFACE REQUIRED IN ANY ROOM

By Cecil F. Herington

N connection with the two charts for furnace heating which I gave you last month," said the Old Builder, "I have also similar ones for hot water and steam. In Fig. 1 is shown the steam heating chart and I want to point out a few differences between this chart and the furnace pipe charts.

"In the first place it will be seen that the B.t.u. loss per square foot of wall and per square foot of glass is not the same as with the furnace. In reality the radiation is the same; but 10 per cent has been allowed for window leakage which is not generally present with furnace systems. This means that the B.t.u. furnished must not only be those lost by the radiation of the wall and glass but must be also about 10 per

STEAM RADIATOR SURFACE IN SQ. FT



Note....The above is for good construction and S Exposure Add as follows:—medium construction 10%, poor 20%, East exposure 10%, West 20%, North 25%, Cold attic above 10%, Cold cellar beneath 10%

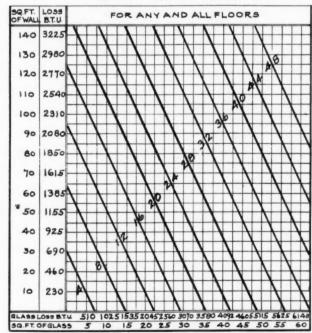
Fig. 1. Steam Heating Chart

cent in excess of this amount, so as to heat the fresh air coming in around the windows and doors.

"Taking Fig. 1, which is the steam heating chart, let us see how our parlor radiation would size up when read directly from the chart with the amount of surface computed as in the June issue of the American Carpenter and Builder.

"You will remember that this parlor had IIO square feet of wall and 30 square feet of glass facing north, while the east wall had IO5 square feet and I5 square feet of glass. Taking our chart and running up the 30-square-feet-of-glass line until we get opposite the point of IIO square feet of wall, we find that we are a little beyond the diagonal line marked '20,' showing

HOT WATER RADIATOR SURFACE IN SQ.FT



Note... The above is for good construction and 3 Exposure Add as follows:— medium construction 10%, poor 20%, East exposure 10%, West 20%, North 25%, Cold aftic above 10%, Cold cellor beneath 10%

Fig. 2. Hot Water Heating Chart

that about 21 square feet of radiation will be required to offset the north wall heat loss, provided the room has southern exposure and is of good construction; but with northern exposure we must add 25 per cent, and for medium construction 10 per cent more, and for cold cellar below another 10 per cent, giving a total increase of 45 per cent, making our corrected amount equal to 21 plus 45 per cent of 21, or 21 plus 9, which is 30 square feet.

"For the east wall we run up the line marked 15-square-feet-of-glass, until we come opposite the point of 105 square feet of wall. We find we are past the heavy diagonal line marked '14,' showing that about 15 square feet are required to offset the east wall loss. To this must be added 10 per cent for east exposure, 10 per cent for medium construction, and 10 per cent for cold cellar, making the total increase 30 per cent. Then, 15 plus 30 per cent of 15 equals 15 plus 5, or 20 square feet. To offset the loss of both walls we add the two amounts, 30 and 20, giving a result of 50 square feet required, whereas, we previously got 51 by actual computation.

"In the upstairs bedroom we had 70 square feet of wall and 30 square feet of glass facing south, which read from the chart the same way, brings us about half way between the diagonal line '16' and '18,' showing that 17 square feet are required with the addition of 10 per cent for medium construction and another 10 per cent for cold attic, making the total addition 20 per cent, or the toal radiation equal to 17 plus 4, or 21 square feet. (In our mathematical figures used in the June issue we obtained 20 square feet.)

"The hot water chart," went on the Old Builder, "is quite similar to the steam heating chart with the exception that the diagonal lines are so spaced as to show a sufficient increase in surface to take care of the hot water. This chart is used in the same way and is read for the downstairs parlor north wall by following up the 30-square-feet-of-glass line until opposite the point of 110 square feet of wall, which brings us on the 32 diagonal which must have 25 per cent added to it for northern exposure or a total of 40 square feet, while the east wall is read by following up the 15 square feet of glass line until opposite the 105-square-feet-of-wall mark, where we find that we are practically three-quarters of the way from '20' to the '24' diagonal or about 23 square feet, to which 10 per cent must be added for eastern exposure, making this total 25 square feet. The sum of the two, 40 plus 25, gives us a total of 65; with 20 per cent more to allow for medium construction and cold cellar beneath makes the final figure 77 square feet. In our mathematical calculation of hot water radiators in the August issue of the American Carpenter and BUILDER we obtained 77, or exactly the same amount.

"The bedroom we previously computed had 30 square feet of glass and 70 square feet of wall, all facing south, and this read from the chart following

up the '30' line until opposite 70 is about 26 square feet which, with 20 per cent added for cold attic and medium construction, gives 31 square feet; as against 32 previously found by computation. This should demonstrate that these charts are for all practical uses exactly as accurate as when the mathematical computing is done; and a very little practice will enable any builder to tell at a glance how big a furnace pipe, how big a steam radiator or how much hot water surface he will require for any particular room."

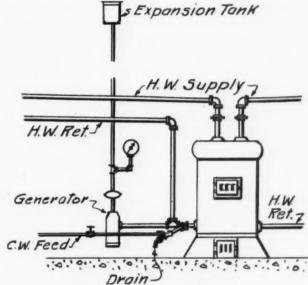
Connecting Up Steam Generator

To the Editor: Scotia, N. Y.

I note with interest your article on Hot Water Generators in October number of American Carpenter and Builder. I have a Honeywell generator which is about the same as you illustrate, except I note you hook up to the flow, where mine is hooked up to return. Please advise if I am losing any advantage in the way my generator is installed.

HENRY J. HOFFMAN.

Answer: It will be noted that the cold water supply pipe is connected into the return line on one side of the boiler and the drain cock for draining the system is placed at that point. Then a branch is extended from the return to the generator and then up to the expansion tank with an altitude gauge to indicate the height of water in the tank.



Generator Hooked up to Return Line

The correspondent seems to be particularly interested to know if he is losing any advantage by connecting his generator onto the return line, rather than on the flow line. Regarding this matter, his generator is installed similar to a great many others, the theory being that the action of the hot water in passing through the generator is not of a beneficial character and that the cooler return water is better. It is not thought by the writer, however, that this is of any great importance and there is the matter to be considered that the return water is much more likely to carry sediment and dirt back from the system into the boiler.

When the generator is connected to the return line this sediment is quite likely to become mixed with the mercury in the generator with undesirable results, but as far as the consumption of coal and the heat received from the radiators is concerned, there is absolutely no difference whether the generator is connected to the hot water supply line, as previously shown in my article, or to the return line, as indicated in our correspondent's sketch.

CECIL F. HERINGTON.



How to Make a Roman Seat

COMPLETE DIRECTIONS FOR MAKING AND FINISHING THIS SIMPLE TYPE INTERESTING PIECE OF HANDICRAFT WORK

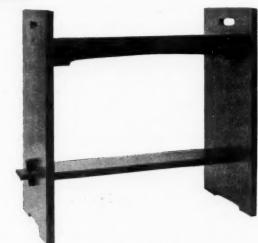
By Ira S. Griffith

HE piece offered this month was made by Mr. A. J. Bonham and was intended as a seat to accompany a Mission dressing table of rather severe design. It was made of quarter-sawed oak and finished golden. The following stock is needed:

Stock Bill for Seat.

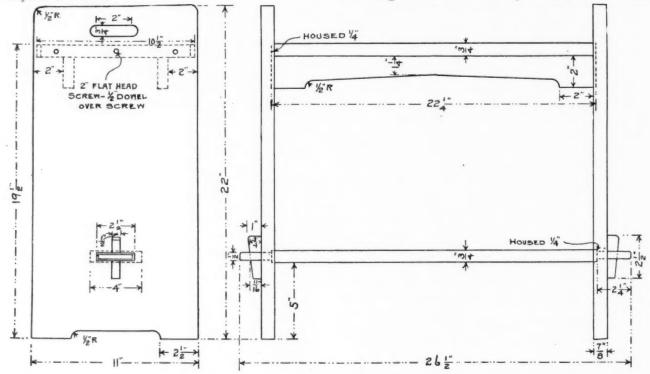
Sides, 2 pieces, ½ by 11½ by 22½ inches, S-2-S. Top, 1 piece, ¾ by 11 by 23 inches, S-2-S. Braces, 2 pieces, ¾ by 2½ by 23 inches, S-2-S. Stretcher, 1 piece, ¾ by 4¾ by 27 inches, S-2-S.

The stock is specified millplaned upon two surfaces. Quarter-sawed stock will usually be found sufficiently true to warrant merely removing the mill marks by means of the cabinet scraper and sandpaper. The edges may be worked and the proper lengths secured and the ends squared in the usual manner. It should be noted that the top is somewhat narrower than the ends. This is to permit the top to be upholstered without the upholstering showing beyond the sides.



Oak Seat Completed

The top braces are housed into the sides, as are the shoulders of the tenons of the stretcher. There is nothing out of the ordinary in the construction,



DRESSING TABLE SEAT.

and one fairly familiar with tools will have little trouble constructing the same.

By using flat-head screws and sinking them well below the surface and then covering these with wooden buttons slightly rounded, a satisfactory fastening is secured without resorting to glue.

The following finish is satisfactory for a piece of this design. Secure a box and make it air tight by pasting paper over the cracks. Place the piece under this box and within place a saucer of concentrated ammonia. Make certain that it is a strong solution; for a weak solution such as the druggist usually puts out will not act vigorously enough. Allow the fumes of the ammonia to act upon the wood over night, and in the morning a rich nut brown will be the result, the depth of color depending upon the strength of the ammonia and the length of time it is allowed to act upon the oak.

After the piece has been removed from the box, sandpaper it very lightly with number oo paper and then give it a thin coat of shellac. Sand the shellac, when dry, and apply a paste filler colored a brown somewhat deeper than that of the stain obtained by fuming. See that the filler is well cleaned from the highlights and the corners of the frame, and then, after it has stood over night, apply another thin coat of shellac. Sand the shellac as was previously done on the other shellac coat and apply several coats of some good rubbing wax. In applying the wax, be careful not to get it on too heavily. Too much wax will result in ugly, chalk-like spottings.

The chief advantage of a fumed stain lies in its penetrating effect, hence edges are less likely to show white through wear.

Dome Lamp Stand and Lamp

To the Editor: Tonawanda, N. Y.

About this time of year, the woodworkers' thoughts are gently turned to making of some article that may prove useful in every household and at the same time show his skill in the woodworking art.

The making of a dome lamp stand and lamp is one that should prove both useful and ornamental, for since finishing my first one, I have received enough orders without soliciting of any kind on my part, to keep me busy during my spare moments for the next six months or longer, to make some for my neighbors and friends. This means that at the end of the six months my spare time will have developed into just so much of the good long green to my credit in the bank

One of the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER recently complained that he could not dispose of some of his home-made furniture; to which I must agree, that it is rather hard to dispose of the more ordinary kind of goods. But let him make something out of the ordinary—something that proves almost a necessity, then make his price fair to all concerned, inviting his neighbors and friends to examine same and it will fairly keep him busy booking orders to keep him going all his spare time.

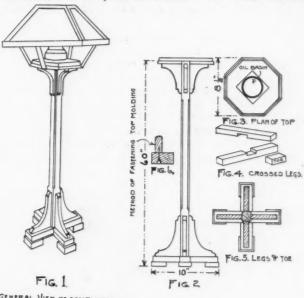
This dome stand can practically be made of any convenient wood at hand, birch, gum and white wood will finish up nicely in mahogany, white oak, chestnut, ash, quar-

tered oak, etc., will all look good in the natural or dark stains.

For making one of these dome stands I went about it as follows:

I took some chestnut, ripped same ½ by 1 inch and cut a rabbet of ¼ by ¼ inch for the glass to fit in. Then made dome frame same as any ordinary frame 14½ by 14½ by 8 inches, then took cardboard and fitted a piece in each opening. Then took same to the local art glass dealer and had him cut pieces to exact size of pattern from some art glass, for which he had no particular call and which he let me have at cost price. Then went to hardware store and purchased a brass oil holder, burner and globe complete; therefore, I had my dome and lamp all ready.

Now, for making the stand. The height from floor to top is of 60 inches; the moulding around top is ½ by ¾ inches. The post is 2 by 2 inches square, the four edges being chamfered, or left plain as desired. The cross feet are



GENERAL VIEW OF COMPLETED LAND AND STAND.

Drawings of Dome Lamp Stand

9½ inches long, 2¾ inches wide and 1 inch thick; the square toes are 2¾ by 2¾ inches by 1 inch or 1¼ inches thick, as desired. They are glued to the underside of the feet with a projection of ¼ inch in front and sides, as shown in sketch. As the lower brackets are glued, or screwed to the cross pieces, the toes should not be fixed until brackets are in place. The lower brackets are 6 inches long, 3¾ inches wide and 1 inch thick. The brackets are doweled and glued to the post; they are glued to the feet with screws countersunk into each from below. The upper brackets are 4 inches long, 3 inches wide and ¾ or ⅙ inches thick; brackets are doweled and glued to the post, also to underside of top.

The top (Fig 3) ½ or 5% inches thick, may be made octagonal or square, as desired, and 8 or 9 inches across. The underside is bored for short dowels to secure it to post and brackets, or a sub top may first be used of 3% inch and the original top of 3% or ½ inch, although this is not essential.

RICHARD O. NEWBECKER.

Forest Notes

There are about 37 pines native to the United States, of which 25 are western species, and 12 eastern.

Paraguay has valuable forest resources, the most important of which is quebracho, particularly rich in tannin.

CORRESPONDENCE







Questions Answered and Ideas Exchanged.

Our Readers are Requested and Urged to Make Free Use of These Columns for the Discussion of all Questions of Interest to Carpenters and Builders

He Doesn't Care for the Forestry Dept.

To the Editor:

St. Ignatius, Mont.

Your magazine is well worth having at any time and I consider it a good thing to peruse with profit any evening.

I cannot refrain from saying that if your "Forest Notes," such as have appeared in the last few issues are inspired by that gang of white sepulchers who call themselves conservationists, you should, in justice to your clientele of builders (victims of the "con" in all this conservation), suppress this nonsensical rot, and turn the searchlight of accurate inquiry onto this farcical forest service at the source, here in the West. I gasp for words. V. A. McCormack,

Builder.

large factory to work on, I couldn't get along without

I am sending also a photo of Peter Nelson's round barn, which I built last summer. It is my own design. It would make any dairy farmer proud to own one like it.

JOHN SOLIN, JR.

How Many Agree with This?

To the Editor:

Riverside, Iowa.

The November number of the American Carpenter and BUILDER at hand and read from front to back, and was filed away; and I was busy with another journal, grew tired of

> it, laid it aside, and went to my files; got the A. C. & B. and again was looking over its valuable pages when I came across the census sheet; tore it out and am mailing it to you. I have endeavored to answer it in detail, as my thoughts dictated to my pen.

I am glad to inform you I am well pleased with the American Carpenter AND BUILDER, so much so I have filed all my copies away since January, 1908, and I have them where I can get at them whenever I want them.



Gets Over North Country on Motorcycle

To the Editor: Balsam Lake, Wis.

As I have not contributed anything towards your valuable paper, I feel it my duty to represent this neck of the woods, as I have not seen anything from here-to let the outer world know that there are living people this far North.

Am sending a picture of myself and traveling gear. Don't ask me what a carpenter can do with a motorcycle! As my work is in the country and have a



John Solin Jr., His Trusty Steed and One of His Big Round Barns at Balsam Lake, Wis.

There is nothing dull in them at all to a practical man from a business standpoint. I have had it told me it was no good; but I have watched that same mechanic, and he is in the same old rut he was twenty years ago—no better mechanic, and does things in a way it "us' to be did."

But, brothers and fellow workers, at this day and age of the world such is not what the building public demands. The demands of today are for good houses, and business houses, and not for merely houses and would-be business houses. I have found out, by my own experiences, that a mechanic of today must be up with the times; not just merely telling what he can do, but must produce the goods to prove his assertion.

He, too, must talk quality, not quantity. Coupled with this, he must be honest and do honest work. He must read and study, and study to know he is right. When he accomplishes that, then his success is assured; his patrons then have confidence in him, and there are no idle moments for such a builder.

O. B. OVERHOLSER,

General Contractor and Builder.

Thinks Licensing Builders Would Hurt

To the Editor: Toronto, Canada.

In the course of my perusal of my January issue I note reference of B. C. Graves to former correspondence from J. L. Brooks, regarding licensing builders.

Though the instances he cites of faulty construction would justify serious measures, I doubt if the method proposed would drive such slip shod work out of our line. No man could rightly claim common sense and justify such work at the same time. My opinion is that no system can be framed to eliminate fraudulent practice in this or almost any other business, and such I take it, were the instances referred to.

The two great countries on this continent are lauded loud and long as "Lands of the Free," yet every day brings suggestions from some to tie people down to certain rules, or have some one appointed to see that each does what he should. The consequence is that in our cities especially, we have so many by-laws and "bum" laws to dodge that it almost keeps one busy dodging without doing anything else.

Why not rather seek some method to encourage honorable practice among our craft which in itself would tend largely to shame out such skin flints? An honorable man is seldom out of demand in any line of work, and a dishonorable man is almost sure to run himself out. I realize, of course, that some can grease their way through with their poor work, while a good workman is often put to unnecessary inconvenience; but this, I believe, is due to tact—another evidence of character.

The licensing system could hardly be expected to eliminate the "sharks" from the trades as they would likely be the first ones to grease their way up.

I enclose herewith (not suitable to reprint in a family Journal. Ed.), some clippings from a Toronto paper, in regard to an investigation of our local City Architect's Department, which will tend to show the rottenness of the watch-dog system of controlling the building trade.

Because of these conditions I have transferred my operation to fields where I am free to do a good job without having to take dictation from anyone who possibly knows no more than I. Not only do I resent these conditions but my experience with the Department some time ago convinced me that I was tabled for trouble (possibly because I drew and submitted my own plans for a pair of houses, in the face of a request from one of the officials for the job).

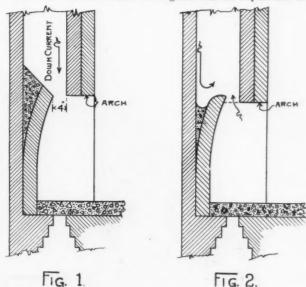
However, I find building operations are not confined to territory covered by their supervision. Hence, I've left them to have the trouble, and I'm doing nicely elsewhere.

GEO. H. JACKSON.

He Kicks on Fireplace

To the Editor: Wilmington, Cal.

This being Christmas, while I am sitting around scratching my shins, I picked up the July number of your valued paper, and on page 80 I found details of a fireplace, like Sketch No. 1. Now, I am an old rooster of a good deal of experience and



have found the hollow back wall, shown in Fig. 2, to be far superior to the one you detail, as it has a tendency to check a down current, or gust coming down the chimney, whereas the other skoots everything before it down into the room. Note the back should extend also a little above the arch, too, instead of coming even with it, as in No. 1, and in practice sometimes a little below.

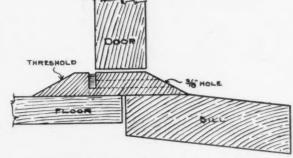
With best wishes for a Happy New Year, I am,
L. M. Hodge,

Another Form of Threshold

To the Editor: Lane, Kans.

I see two answers to Jack Leg's inquiry for a threshold to keep the water out, but do not think either of them amount to much. I enclose cross-sectional drawing of threshold that will come nearer keeping out the water for an all-wood threshold that I know of.

The groove should be 3% or ½ inch wide, ½ inch deep in middle of threshold and out to nothing at the ends, so the water will all run to the center, where there should be two



Cross Section of Storm Proof Threshold

3%-inch holes bored from the outside edge of threshold and connecting with the groove about 1 inch on either side of the center of threshold. Wind drives the water under the door and it drips off of the inner edge of door; the groove catches it and it runs cut through the holes.

If any one has anything better, would like to see it in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BOILDES

J. P. WELLS, Carpenter and Builder.

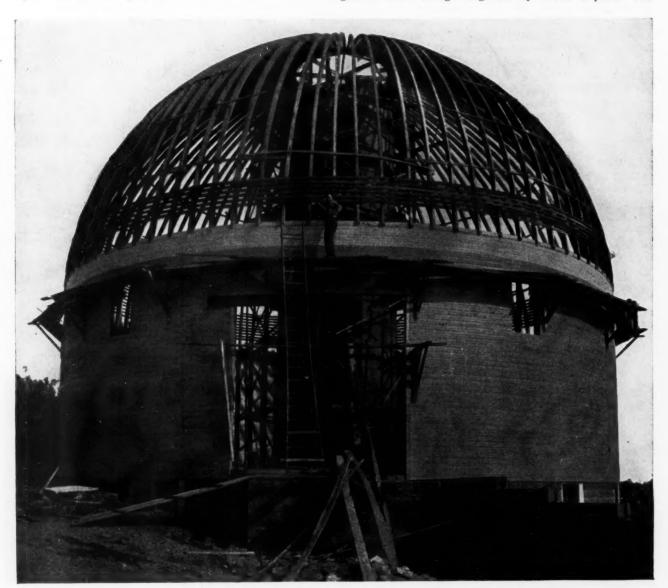
His First Round Barn

To the Editor: Orland, Ind.

My first attempt at building a round barn was this past season. You see the results in the pictures. I corresponded with several contractors but was advised not to try to build the roof I had my mind. But I had it so completely worked out that I undertook the job; and neither the owner nor myself have been sorry for it.

The barn is 60 feet in diameter, and has a 14 by 56-foot silo in the center. The barn measures 65 feet from basement to cupola roof. I used 2 by 6-inch for studding. The sill for the barn I made out of 1 by 5-inch, using five pieces; the same for the plate. The circle next to the silo was made out of ½ by 8-inch, using ten thicknesses.

My rafters I made out of 1 by 3-inch, six thicknesses; these are 41 feet long. As I had a 12-foot opening at the top that gave me room enough to get all my rafters in place. The



Barn 60 Ft. in Diameter, Photo Taken During Construction. Note Silo in Center, also Curved Rafters



Foundation is Cement Blocks-Round Barn Built by O. H. Bordner, Orland, Ind.

rafters are 2 feet apart at bottom, 1 inch at top. The studding in the cupola are 6 feet long. The openings in the cupola are screened with sand screen.

Now, as to the basement, there is an 8-foot feed alley around the silo; then comes the mangers and feed troughs. That leaves room enough where the cattle are, to drive around with a hay rack on the wagon, if need be. There is a hay, silage and grain chute above the alley.

There is room for forty cows. The driveway into the barn is cemented; then there is a milk room under it, where

SILO

FEED ALLEY

there is a well, a cream separator, a gasoline engine, and plenty of room to handle the milk and cream.

There are 53,000 shingles on the roof and a little over a ton of nails in the barn. I am sending you a picture of the foundation—concrete blocks.

Now, if there are any questions about this I will try to answer them. O. H. BORDNER.

Asks About Building Lines

To the Editor: New Brighton, N. Y.

I would like to learn from your readers in various parts of the country how builders set their fences and buildings in relation to the land surveyors' line.

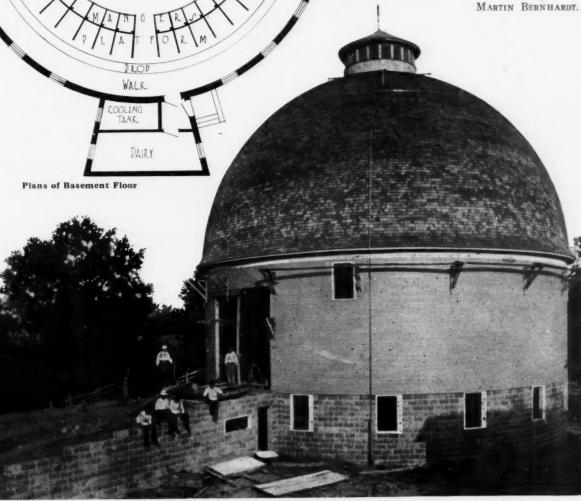
Does he set the posts, rail, or pickets to the line along the highway?

Does he set the middle of a wall or fence to the party line?

What part of a frame or masonry building is set to line along the highway?

Why should a party wall or fence encroach upon his neighbor's premises, as some surveyors contend? Why should the trimmings on a building encroach upon the highway?

This is a much mooted question among surveyors. It may not seem important in a country district, but when it grows into a city and property becomes more valuable, possession of inches are then disputed among neighbors and objected to by the "City Authorities," as we recently experienced in New York City.



Sixty-Foot Round Barn, Nearly Completed. Cows are Stabled in the Basement and Milk Room is Arranged Under Driveway to First Floor

Makes Fine Mahogany Furniture

To the Editor: Montague, Mich.

I wish to compliment the Editors of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER for their generous interest in the "Big Family." It surely is an incentive to the best that we may do. Here are a number of fine furniture pieces I have made. As the wood is mahogany, I drew my designs full size and cut them out, to economize in cutting up my lumber.

Figure 1 is a plan of taboret. It shows joints mitred and

side across the grain to prevent its warping or splitting. The pedestal and table are glued-up stock, and the main joints in the Roman stool (from which cushion is removed) are mortise and tenon.

Having some Tobey (Chicago) hand-made mahogany furniture that has been made about fifteen years, I wished to match it as near as may be, so I took a dry-goods box of proper size and lined it with about three thicknesses of paper, breaking joints, and made the top tight, and after stock was ready for the filler, I put it in the box and "finished" with as



Beautiful Mahogany Furniture Made by E. L. Hubert, Montague, Mich.

plowed for slip tongue. This adds to the strength of the joint and keeps it in position when gluing up.

At the center and bottom of the legs clamps were used. From strips I nailed up two little frames for top end, to receive three sides each.

While the figure is self-explanatory, I found these advantages: With a helper I could glue the two joints, insert the tongues, place in frame, drive the four wedges, and it was in position for the clamps, which were turned down before the glue got cold.

When the two halves were dry, the brace (a) was removed from each frame and the two were fastened as dotted lines indicate, when the last two joints were set up without any strain on the others and every joint was tight.

Figure 2 shows the manner of fastening legs to plant stand. The top has a piece of wood glued on the bottom

high gravity ammonia as I could procure locally, by placing saucers of it in the bottom of the box.

The wood soon assumed a purplish tint, and by occasionally trying fragments of the wood I had also placed in the box, with a bit of the dark filler I had already prepared, I could tell when the required shade was reached.

The tops and bases of table and pedestal were, for convenience, left off until fuming was done.

After they were filled and thoroughly dry, I applied two coats of good rubbing varnish, following up with a compound of pumice, oil and elbow grease, and the tone compares favorably with the other furniture, the fuming, darkening, and mellowing the wood without raising the grain, better than anything else but time that I know of.

I am now building dining table, china buffet and serving table of the same material.

Ernest L. Hubert.

A Correction

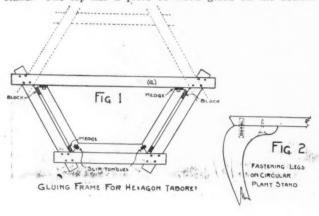
To the Editor: Wayne City, Ill.

Referring to Mr. A. W. Woods' article in the November number, how to frame the roof for a sixteen sided building, he says the tangent for 22½ degrees is .14421 and this multiplied by 12 equals 4.97052. I do not understand how he figures it that way. Would like to see it explained in next number.

WM. R. McCoy.

Answer:—We are glad Mr. McCoy calls attention to the error, which is caused by the two first figures in the decimal being transposed. Instead of being .14421, it should have read .41421. Thus, $.41421 \times 12 = 4.97052$.

A. W. Woods.



Brick Wall Construction

To the Editor: Butte, Nebr.

I am erecting a brick building to be used as a county jail and would consider it a favor if you could answer the following questions:

HERE ARE THE SPECIFICATIONS:

Brickwork—All walls are to be carried up straight, plumb and true, with a line on both sides and faced on both sides. There will be no plastering on inside of building. All brick to be properly bedded, tied with brick headers, four courses between. Work in regular bond and strike all joints neatly on both sides of wall. Joints in face work to be 3%-inch thick.

Exterior Face—To be Clay Products Co., Sioux City, No. 5 dark round edge paver, laid with racked joint 3% inch deep. Use this brick from top of cement base to cornice line.

Interior Face—To be Hocking Valley Fire Clay Co., Nelsonville, Ohio, and Sunderland Bros. Co., Omaha, No. 103 buff salt glazed brick laid with flush struck joints. Use this brick from top of cement base to plate line.

Common Brick—To be Sioux City, Iowa, hardest shale brick, both solid and hollow. Use solid brick from grade up to floor line, and hollow brick for center of walls above.

Now the Questions:

1. Are the brick headers better than wall ties?

2. Does the brick header every four course allow for a sufficient bond?

3. Would not the brick headers carry the frost and cause the inside wall to be damp?

4. Would you advise running each course straight up, using wall ties or putting in brick headers?

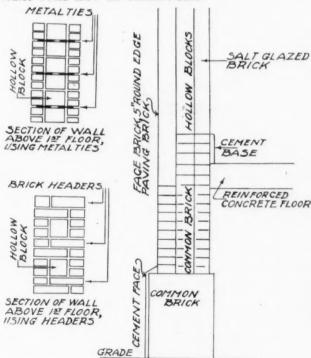
5. If wall ties are used, how many courses between?

F. R. SMITH.

Answer: We do not see how you are to change the specifications for this building which you are constructing if your contract for the erection of this building is based upon these specifications.

We consider that brick headers will make a stronger wall in the case shown if all bricks are of the same thickness.

We also consider that a line of brick headers every fourth course would allow for sufficient bond.



SECTION OF WALL
Details of Brick Wall Construction

We also consider that brick headers, arranged as shown in your sketch, would probably cause the inside of the wall to collect dampness to some extent. If the exterior bricks are of very hard and dense material, and the interior bricks of the glazed finish type, we do not believe that exterior moisture would penetrate the wall to any great extent, but condensation of moisture might occur on the inner face of the wall, due to the difference in temperature of the two sides of the wall. Furring and plastering would prevent this latter condition.

When wall ties are used in brick walls, one tie should be used to each square foot of wall surface, or one tie to each brick in each fourth course of brick.



New York Barn Building

To the Editor: Boston, N. Y.

The skyscraper builders have nothing on us. We raise the stars and stripes too when we get up to the top with the framing. This photograph shows our gang at work on a barn 36 by 70 feet, 44 feet high to the peak.

SHERMAN TREVETT.

Lath Stains on Plaster

To the Editor: Spanish Fork, Utah.

In the December issue Mr. Henry Stuckenhoff asks what can be done to stop lath stains that show in brown coat from staining through onto the finishing coat of plaster.

We use mostly cedar lath here and these stain the brown coat badly. By allowing the brown coat to become dry and then going over the stain with a wash of ammonia and water, I have very little trouble with stains showing in finish or third coat.

J. W. G. Stebbins,

Contractor and Builder.

Carpentry Estimating—Basis 30 Cents

To the Editor: Pierron, Ill.

I am a reader of your paper for about two years and find a good deal of useful information in it. I wish you would have more reading matter in it on contracting and building.

I would like a little information on estimating carpenter work, with wages at 30 cents per hour, work like framing on houses, making window frames, and door frames, fitting doors, nailing base and casings, and the like. Maybe some brother chip would be kind enough to let me know through your paper.

I started contracting for myself two years ago and did all the work by hand; but got tired of that, being a believer in "Jimmie's" ways. I built me a portable wood worker with a three horse power engine, which I mounted on a truck and just hike to the job with it and let her rip.

I want to make a disc sander for my wood worker to be used on the saw mandrel and if you know of a way of making them you would do me a great favor to publish it in the next month's paper.

M. L. Schilly,

Contractor and Builder.

Outside Light Necessary

To the Editor: Oakland, Cal.

I am about to prepare plans for a job I have to erect, and it is for a building 46 by 65 feet. The lower floor is to be taken up by a bank and grocery store and the second floor has four apartments. I have already prepared a sketch, but I would like to have your opinion on what would be the best and cheapest way to light the inside rooms of the apartments.

I consider it would cost too much to have open light well all the way as far as the front rooms. The entrance to the apartments is on the side and end of the building. It might be well to have the whole hallway covered in, but I will leave



Cross Section Through Building

it to you for consideration. If it should be left open, the hallway or light well would have to be covered with heavy tin and covered again with an arrangement for walking on.

Neil McCallum.

Answer: A metal skylight with ribbed or figured wire glass extending over the entire length of the central hall would furnish sufficient light for the hallway, but not for the rooms opening off it unless they have other outside light.

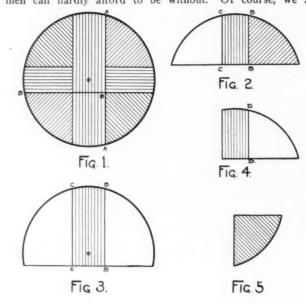
In office buildings it is not objectionable to have the inside or anterooms lighted from hall skylight, as such rooms can be made with partition walls practically all of glass. For living rooms, though, this wouldn't be satisfactory. The best way, and it is the only way that is permitted in cities that have up-to-date building ordinances, is to arrange the apartments so that all rooms can have direct outside light.

EDITOR.

Method of Quarter Sawing

To the Editor: Saranac, Mich.

The writer is a subscriber to your valuable magazine, which I think carpenters, builders, sawmill, planing mill and lumbermen can hardly afford to be without. Of course, we all



have opinions and an exchange of them is a good thing, because we profit by others' experience.

I have had years of experience in the saw mill and building and lumber business. In an issue of your magazine of some three or four years past, I saw explanations and figures telling how to quarter-saw oak, which did not just agree with my way of doing it, and, of course, I think my way the best way. I have tried both ways and am satisfied the enclosed description is quicker, easier and a great saving of material.

DESCRIPTION:—The first operation after placing the log on carriage is to split, or saw it at AA, Fig. 1. This (less than one-half log) piece is laid aside on the skids, Fig. 2. I then turn this, Fig. 3, piece down on head blocks and split or saw at BB, Fig. 1 and Fig. 3. Then I saw into boards to CC, Fig. 3. Turning this piece, Fig. 4, I saw to DD, taking what is left, Fig. 5, I turn bark side down and saw as per drawing. After this is all done I take the smaller one-half, Fig. 2, and saw as per drawing, splitting BB and sawing to CC. I often edge these quarters at the mill before sawing into boards, making them all of one width and they are the best part of the log.

LEWIS KELLY.



Barn Raising

To the Editor: Loretto, Minn.

This picture may interest some of the boys. It shows my gang at work raising a barn. I am a contractor of frame barns all over the country. I build houses, too, but mostly barns.

Strength of Douglas Fir

To the Editor: Talent, Ore.

Will you give me the figures for the breaking weight for Douglas fir and Oregon fir as it is locally known here?

C. E. FROMAN.

Answer—The following values are from the hand book of the Cambria Steel Co.:

AVERAGE	ULTIMATE	BREAKING	STRESSES	IN	Pounds	PER
		SQUARE	INCH			
Tension '	with grain					8,000.
Compress	ion with gra	in				4,500

Compression across grain	800
Bending, extreme fiber stress	5,000
Bending, modulus elasticity	400,000
Shearing, with grain	500
AVERAGE SAFE ALLOWABLE WORKING UNIT STRESSES IN F	OUNDS
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Tension with grain	800
Compression with grain	900
Compression across grain	200
Bending, extreme fiber stress	800
Bending, modulus of elasticity	0,000

Experience with Dealers

To the Editor: Marceline, Mo.

I find your advertising department a very convenient help. It keeps a carpenter posted on all the latest improvements in tools, which no up-to-date carpenter and finisher can get along without. There are very few hardware men outside of the cities that carry the latest improved tools. If we order them through our dealers we very seldom get what we order. They order from the wholesale house, and if they don't have what you order, the wholesale house will substitute and send something as near like the order as they have, and probably manufactured out of cheap-John stuff.

On the other hand, if you send direct to a good, reliable manufacturer you get the genuine article by Parcel Post quicker than it could be purchased through a home dealer. The home dealer will wait until he orders a bill of goods before he will get what you want. It makes it cheaper to him, but no cheaper to the buyer.

FRED DAVENPORT.

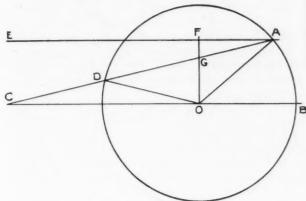


Trisecting Angles

To the Editor: Ithaca, N. Y.

In the September issue, Mr. Weeden gives a method of bisecting a given angle by the use of a figure consisting of a circle of arbitrary radius tangent internally to a circle of three times that radius.

I follow readily his method of determining the point N formed by the intersection of lines AM and FB produced, and in this position, FN cuts off arcs AB and AF of equal length; but I do not see why point N is the locus of points where radius vectors may be drawn, each cutting off equal



Method of Trisecting Any Angle

lengthened arcs from A, and within the limits of AF or AB. In other words, as Mr. Weeded expresses it: "This point (N) forms the basis for the trisection of any angle, for it is a known fact that if the line NBF is swung towards the point A, with the point N remaining stationary, for example, taking the position of the line NHK, the points of intersection (H and K) are always equidistant from point A, if the distances are measured along the arcs and not as chords between these points." Will Mr. Weeden explain why?

I beg to submit two methods I have used sometimes for trisecting angles. While geometricians may object to the means employed, the finished product is absolutely correct and demonstrable geometrically.

To trisect a given angle.

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Let AOB be the given angle. With O as a center and any radius OA, describe a circle ABD. Produce OB; place a pin at A for a guide and with a steel square, or rule, or straight edge and compass held against pin at A, slide along line BO, produce until CD equals radius OA. Then angle ACB = 1/3 of the given angle AOB. For the lines CD = DO = OA = OB.

Angle $DCO = DOC = \frac{1}{2}$ ADO = $\frac{1}{2}$ DAO. ADO = $_2$ ACB. ADO + ACB = AOB. ACB₃ = AOB. ACB = $\frac{1}{3}$ AOB.

To trisect, without using the circle, any angle EAO. At any point O draw a parallel BC to EA.

Drop a perpendicular OF from O upon EA.

Then as before, slide along BC until CG = 2AO.

Then EAC = 1/3 EAO, as may be seen by following the first method.

CHARLES GRAY.



Stair-Work Question

To the Editor: Eigin, Iowa.

Will you please let me in on the correspondence department? I want a little information,

Can some of the expert stair builders give me a method of scribing the wash board or finished string, to the treads and riser, the treads and riser being already in place, and wash board is required to fit over them?

ALEX PAGAN.



Heavier I-Beam Needed

To the Editor: West Salem, Wis.

I am intending to erect a building 32 by 120, basement to be used for pool room and bowling alley, main floor for a moving picture show and second floor for offices. Would like to know if 20-inch, 65-pound I-beams are heavy enough to carry the load, by having one every 14 feet.

Beams will be 31 feet long and about 28 feet between piers.

A. C. CULLMANN.

Answer: One of these beams will carry safely about 40,000 pounds of uniformly distributed load, since each beam will support about 448 square feet of floor, this will allow a total dead and live load of a little less than 100 pounds per square foot of floor surface. Since this unit load is a little light for this type of construction, we would consider that a 20-inch, 75-lbs.-per-foot beam would be of better service in this location. Whether this beam will be of sufficient size to satisfy your local building ordinance, will be a matter which you will have to determine in your own town. We would suggest that a beam of this height should be supported laterally to prevent the beam from lying over sideways when under load.

Framing for Church Shed

To the Editor: Scotland, Ont.

Some of the other builders may be interested in the way we are building the new sheds for the Baptist church here. The photo pictures this work when about half finished. It is now all enclosed, like a barn. The sides are covered with dressed boards and the roof sheathed and covered with



Frame Work for Large Church Shed at Scotland, Ontario

corrugated iron. This is quite a sizable shed, 90 feet long by 52 feet wide.

The picture shows myself and three men, also the minister of the church.

C. S. STICKELS.

TRADE NOTES OF THE PARTY OF THE

Through this department the editors aim to keep builders, contractors, carpenters and architects in touch with what their friends, the manufacturers, are doing for them in new or improved tools and machinery, methods and materials—pertaining to building. Items for these columns must have real news value; they are offered here as interesting information for our readers; they are not advertising. No matter will be printed here simply because some advertiser wishes it. Likewise, no matter will be excluded simply because the article described is not advertised in this magazine. Suggestions for the betterment of this department are requested of our readers.

Curing Double Concrete Walls in Cold Weather

The great cost of insuring and keeping up a large number of widely scattered buildings is a matter that is receiving much attention from railroads and corporations at the present time. The fact that these scattered plants must be erected largely by local labor and materials has worked against modern construction.

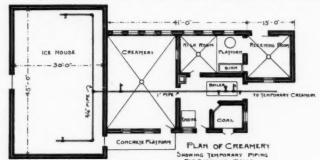
To a milk company whose stations are scattered over several states, the question of sanitation and insulation is also of especial interest. H. P. Hood & Sons Company, of Boston, have given this matter considerable attention, as they are building constantly.

Late in the summer, this company lost a small plant located near Wells River Junction, Vt., by fire, and it was decided to replace this plant with concrete. The Van Guilder hollow wall construction was decided on as being particularly adapted for their use because the Van Guilder machines, being light, could be easily and cheaply transported between their widely scattered plants, and being simple to operate, the necessary help could be secured locally.

The construction in this case was two 4-inch walls separated by an air space of $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches for insulating purposes. This double construction is particularly desirable wherever a high degree of insulation from heat and cold is desired, and it also effectually prevents dampness.

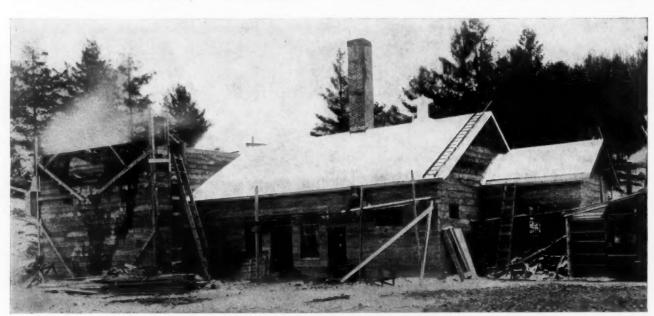
The rebuilding was delayed for various reasons until, after the first of November, and as the plant was located almost at the base of the White Mountains, the builders were considerably perplexed as to how to keep the thin walls from freezing, and as to whether they would set fast enough to allow continuous work with the wall machines.

As the buildings consisted of an ice-house, 30 by 45, with 19-foot walls; a creamery, 41 by 30, and a receiving shed, 13 by 15, with 12-foot walls, there was a large exposed area to be protected, but Mr. C. D. Gilbert, representative of the



Pipes Laid to Steam Walls Spaces

Van Guilder Company, was equal to the emergency. There was a boiler on the premises that had been in the burned creamery and this suggested to Mr. Gilbert that steam might be turned into the continuous air space and the walls steam cured. Plenty of old pipe was at hand and lines were run so as to reach every part of the building by means of steam hose connected to the walls. As fast as built, the walls



Thin Double Concrete Walls Laid and Steam Cured in Freezing Weather at Wells River Junction, Vt.

were covered with strips of tar paper weighted with boards and steam turned on, with the result that the concrete set in about three hours, so as to allow another course to be laid, and was past the danger of freezing in six hours. The entire walls were erected in three weeks. The thermometer went as low as 20 degrees, and there was at one time 4 inches of snow, yet the work was carried on successfully.

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This is evidently the solution of the problem of how to protect and cure double concrete walls in cold weather, and will no doubt result in extending the season for this type of construction work several months, as the results are positive and the cost very small. In fact, this steam curing process should place concrete in its proper place among building materials where double walls are specified, as it can be used in any weather suitable for other construction work.

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New Smith Mixer Catalog

We have just received a copy of the new Smith Mixer Catalog No. 300, which is just fresh from the press. From a glance through its pages it is evident that the Smith line for 1914 is as complete as can be. We trust that the contracting trade will appreciate the quality of design and workmanship which is being put into the Smith mixer.

There are several changes from last year's machine. One of the important variations is in the design of the water tank. This tank is an enclosed affair, equipped with air valve and three-way inlet and outlet valve. It is also equipped with gauge glass for showing the amount of water. This is a better tank than they have put out before, and one which will appeal to the contractor.

The power tilt has been speeded up so that, in the future, the tilting action will be far quicker, and the drum will discharge with greater rapidity.

The Smith sideloader has been greatly altered. The vertical frame-work has been greatly reduced in height, and the hoisting mechanism entirely altered and improved.

The new Smith "Mascot" mixer is illustrated and described. This is a new type machine and one which will appeal to the small contractor by reason of its light weight, extreme portability, easily operated loader, ground level charging skip, all steel construction and a four-foot mixed batch. This is the size which the contractors during the past two years have been clamoring for. Since putting this machine on the market the T. L. Smith Company report it has met with instant favor and there is every prospect of its being one of the best selling Smith mixers. One of the strong features of the Smith "Mascot" mixer, as this little machine is called, is the fact that a great deal of weight is eliminated in the removal of the swinging frame, main rollers, edge rollers, etc., necessary in the large machine. This small drum is simply swung between the two trunnions, being pivoted slightly below the center so as to permit of a quick, easy tilting action, which gives this machine a fast, even discharge. Another strong point is the fact that the drum ring and driving pinions are totally enclosed in a dust-proof casing. This is filled with grease which is constantly forced outward by the action of the gears, and in this way effectually prevents dust from

We would call particular attention to the renumbering of the Smith mixers, as shown in the following:

New No. of Mixer	104	106	110	113	117	122	131	140	162
Old No. of Mixer	Mascot	10	11	New	12	13	14	16	18
Size of batch, mixed con- crete cubic feet	4	6	10	13	161	22	31	40	62
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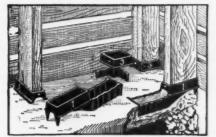
A Valuable Help in Building with Cement

Your farmer customers, who will build new corncribs, granaries, barns, hoghouses, coalhouses, sheds, garages, etc., will appreciate the valuable help offered in the iron studding sockets, manufactured by G. M. Ross & Co., 1244 Broad Street, Grinnell, Iowa.

The illustrations here and on another page, give an excellent idea of these sockets, and just how they are used in rement floors and cement foundations. Ross & Co. call their sockets the "100 year" post supports.

Where Ross post supports are used, there are no sills to rot away, or no toenailing to rust out.

Numerous other advantages a re told about in the extremely interesting little booklet, "How to Build Cement



Ross Post Supports for Concrete Floors and Foundations

Floors or Cement Foundations," which G. M. Ross & Co. have issued. A postal card or letter will bring this booklet by return mail. Better drop a line for it now. It will help you when your next customer calls.

Many of your customers are building cement floors or cement foundations.

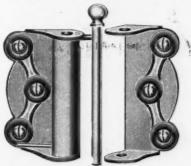
Building material dealers are making splendid profits selling Ross post supports. They find every socket sold gives excellent satisfaction. The first sale in a community always leads to many others, which means many sales with good profits for dealers.

Write G. M. Ross & Co. today.



A New Detachable Screen Door Hinge

The Shelby Spring Hinge Co., Shelby, Ohio, who for years have manufactured an extensive line of screen door hinges,



Shelby Detachable Door Hinge

and builders' hardware, have added to their line the Shelby detachable screen door hinge. non-hold-back in character, and made entirely of wrought steel. The flanges of this hinge have embossed ribs and screw holes, which makes a strong and very attractive hinge.

To detach, pull the

pin and remove the door.

The flange with the pin and spring remains on the door.

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Sell Lighting Systems

There is a growing demand throughout the smaller towns and rural communities for modern lighting. Davis acetylene systems are popular wherever they have been tried. One user makes two others. This makes it easy to sell Davis systems once it is introduced into a community.

The Davis Acetylene Company, 90 Crawford St., Elkhart, Ind., are now making architects and builders a special proposition to act as their local representatives and salesmen. You will find it worth while to write them for complete details.

Scraping Old Varnished Floors By E. W. Anderson, Floor Smoothing Specialist

Have you ever tried to scrape an old varnished floor by hand? Many a man has tried it once, and said, "never again!" If you are one of these I cannot blame you, for I have also had experience and know what it means.

I have been in the floor-scraping business nearly all my life, but only until the last few years have I willingly accepted the task of scraping old varnished floors. Even the work of scraping new floors by hand is hard and wearisome toil, but when it comes to scraping old floors, it is punishment indeed.

Like thousands of others, I dreamed of the possibilities of doing this work by machinery, and some ten years ago, began planning and working towards this end. It finally became a hobby with me. I worked and experimented with a number of machines of various makes and styles of construction, but it seemed impossible to get a machine having sufficient weight to hold the scraper below the surface and at the same time working easily enough to enable a man to pull it.

It is evident that to scrape a floor requires, first, a scraper edge large enough to get under the grit; secondly, enough weight to keep it under the full length of the cutting stroke, and third, a proportionate amount of motive power.

Not until I developed the Triple "A" spring-driven floorsmoother, with its three prominent advantages of weight, power and adjustability, was I fully satisfied that I had found the practical, all-around floor-surfacing machine.



Old Varnished Floor Being Easily Refinished With Machine

The Triple "A" is a machine weighing 75 pounds, and carrying two additional weights of 50 and 25 pounds each, which may be properly adjusted over the scraper blade, so as to obtain whatever degree of pressure is required in proportion to the size of scraper edge used, and the kind of work at hand.

It is further equipped with a spring motor, which generates and furnishes its own power from the natural action of the machine. The forward stroke (non-productive in other floor scrapers), automatically winds up the motor spring, which stops the machine at the proper distance, and starts it back on the cutting stroke, without additional effort on the part of the operator, except to guide the machine and return it for the next cut.

It is in the combination of weight and motive power, that this machine shows its advantage. It has the necessary amount of weight to make a scraper edge of any size cut full depth the entire length of the stroke, thus avoiding the grit and making a smooth cut; and it has a power of its own, which relieves the operator of more than half the labor.

It can truly be said, that this machine has robbed floor scraping of its terror, for with a Triple "A" spring driven floorsmoother, one man can scrape and sandpaper ten times the amount of floors ordinarily done by hand, without half the effort and pain.

Owing to the growing demand for resurfaced floors and the difficulty of doing this work in the old way, many readers will be glad to learn that the old "bug-bear" of scraping old varnished floors has at last been killed off—the work can now be done rapidly, and with comparative ease by machinery.

Ten years ago, hardwood floors were considered a luxury, enjoyed only by the well-to-do, but their popularity has steadily grown until now, even the "common folks" would not think of having anything but hardwood floors in their homes.

Today, the cost of hardwood floors is but very little more than that of common floors, but the additional service and satisfaction found in them is many-fold.

A great deal depends, however, on the way a hardwood floor is surfaced; to be enjoyed it must be smooth and even. It is a comparatively simple matter to surface a new floor so as to leave it free of edges, etc.; but the trouble is that most new hardwood floors do not stay smooth.

Even the most carefully laid and surfaced floors will warp and turn up edges during the first year, owing to the varying conditions of heat and cold, and it is only by resurfacing the floor after it has laid long enough to become thoroughly settled, that a permanent smooth surface can be obtained.

When taken into consideration that it costs no more to resurface a varnished floor with a Triple "A" machine than it does to surface a new floor by hand, it can readily be seen that it pays to resurface a hardwood floor after it has become settled, as it will then stay in shape.

Carpenters and floormen will find, with very little effort, any number of floors in their localities, which need resurfacing; and most of the owners are willing to pay a liberal price for having the work done. The trouble has been heretofore, that it was too hard work to scrape a varnished floor by hand, and most would refuse the job at any price. Not so with a Triple "A"; with this equipment, you will go looking for the work, instead of dodging it, and will find it a most profitable enterprise.

Thousands of carpenters are already esgaged in this business, but it is as yet scarcely begun. Like in all other lines, the first to satisfy a popular demand reaps the richest harvest. It goes without saying that a machine which will successfully resurface old floors, can also be depended upon for surfacing new floors of all kinds.

I will be glad to furnish full information on this subject to all who write me, care of the Triple "A" Machine Company, Room 311, 300 W. Indiana Street, Chicago.

Montross Shingles

A very interesting catalog came to our desk the other day from the Montross Metal Roofing Co., successors to Montross Metal Shingle Co., Camden, N. J. This is their catalog H-3, entitled "The Best Roof Under the Sun." It is a 40-page booklet, very well illustrated, many of the photographs and drawings being in two colors. The shingle styles are shown very clearly, both as they appear as individual shingles and when applied on the building. Some instructive diagrams are presented, showing the best way to lay metal roofs, and the booklet also tells how to paint them for greatest durability.

In addition to their line of mental shingles of various patterns, this catalog also features some well designed finials made of galvanized iron and zinc. These give any building a finished architectural appearance.

The manufacturers will gladly send this catalog free of charge to all of our readers who will write them.

Trade Notes and Items of Interest

Story of Luther Grinders
By L. L. Newton, Sec'y Luther Grinder Mfg. Co.

The Luther Grinder Manufacturing Company was started by Mr. C. J. Luther about 20 years ago. He first built a hand power sickle grinder for farm use that was such a

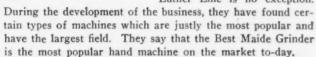
success with the neighbors that he saw great prospects in it. Accordingly he associated himself after a time with the C. J. Luther Company of Port Washington. They put out thousands of sickle grinders the country over with emery wheels. It was shortly seen that Milwaukee was a better manufacturing center than Port Washington, so the factory was moved to Milwaukee. About that time his brothers came in with him, and for many years, the concern was operated under the name of Luther Bros. Mfg. Co. About the time of making the move to Milwaukee, the new abrasive, carborundum, had just been discovered. Its advantages were seen at once and a good deal of the success of the company has been due to the superior abrasive that has always been used. Carborundum was for many years the best abrasive it was possible to obtain and has had a great popularity.

chanically more perfect, and as a consequence take better with mechanics.

They have developed the various machines until now they have nearly fifty different styles of grinders. They are for every purpose, from machines that are "just the thing for

> Mi-Lady's Kitchen," up to heavy machines to be run with engine power. In between these there are any number of grinders. This includes machines for carpenters, machines for mechanics, and machines for woodmen. Foot-power machines for mechanics, and footpower machines for farmers. hand-power sickle grinder and grinders for use with gasoline engines. Besides that, they make a number of specialized machines, such as a shear sharpener for barbers' use, the finest kind of sharpener that there is. No matter for what purpose a grinder is wanted, there will be found some machine in the Luther Line that will exactly fit its requirements.

> There are many things that can be done only by the test of time. No matter how carefully thought out any proposition may be, it is bound to be very imperfect compared with the finished product. The Luther Line is no exception.





C. J. Luther

About two years ago, the company got track of a new abrasive which they have been putting out on the market under the name of Dimo-Grit. Dimo-Grit, although made similar to carborundum, is claimed to be an improvement over it in several ways. In the first place, it is an ideal substance for steel grinding. You will find that large foundry and machine shops the country over use Dimo-Grit for bronze, cast iron and other low tensiled articles. For steel and high tensiled articles they use a different substance which



A Popular Grinder

is along the line of Dimo-Grit. As edged tools are invariably made of steel, the same abrasive that is used in large foundries for steel grinding should be used on hand power machines. For tool grinding, Dimo-Grit is as fast cutting as carbor-undum and in addition it leaves a smoother cut edge with less fagot. This is due to the character of

the substance. Its grains are not quite as sharp and do not leave as rough an edge.

During this time improvements have continually been made in the mechanism as well as the abrasive. Several years ago, high speed was invariably obtained by the use of cast gears. This is a very efficient method of carrying power, but it is noisy. Several years ago, therefore, they put on the market machines with cut steel gears. Although you cannot do any more work on these machines, they are me-



Modern Factory Now Occupied

Quality is another watch-word of the company.

The mechanical part of their grinders is superior. Their inspection department costs a great deal of money, but this is more than made up for by the permanent satisfaction of the goods. As Mr. Simmons has said "The recollection of quality remains, long after the price is forgotten."

Money in Chair Tips

Chair tips take the place of casters and do not mar finely finished floors. Carpenters find it easy to sell these in connection with their regular work. The Evergrip Gliding Caster Co., Department V, 20 Warren Street, New York City, have a good proposition along this line. They will also send out a sample set free of charge.

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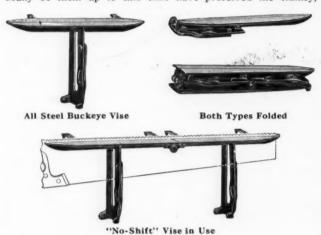
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Buckeye Folding Saw Vise

A new Buckeye folding saw vise is now being offered, made of all steel. This makes a more durable and a lighter tool to carry. It is designed on much the same principle as the cast-iron Buckeye folding saw vise, which has been on the market for the past eleven years and which has met with a wonderful sale in that time. These new vises weigh but 2 pounds each, and when folded up, take up but little space. The jaws are 14 inches long, therefore requiring only one shift of the saw while filing.

A new all-steel folding vise that requires no shifting at all is their "No Shift" folding vise. This is a double form of the other vise. It weighs 4 pounds and takes up very little room in the tool chest.

This "No Shift" vise will be appreciated by carpenters. Many of them up to this time have preferred the clumsy,



home-made, 2-by-4 affair just because they don't like the idea of shifting the saw while filing.

These Buckeye saw vises can be attached or detached without screwing or clamping, by means of the folding hooks which are driven into the bench, or a piece of 2 by 8, which can be set in a window at the desired height. For further particulars address the Buckeye Saw Vise Company, 2050 W. 55th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Fair Treatment by Starrett

We are gratified to learn that the L. S. Starrett Co., Athol, Mass., are again this year paying a sum equal to 2 per cent of the entire amount of each employee's wages during the year 1913. This action has been taken by the directors of the company, in spite of the fact that there has been a general business depression. This announcement comes as pleasant news to those who are interested in manufacturing and in the co-operation of labor with manufacturers.

Want a Motor-Truck?—Buy Front Wheels Only!

Merchant & Evans Company of Philadelphia has just put on the market a four-five-ton tractor truck. The novelty and usefulness of this unique vehicle consists in the arrangement of the motor, clutch, transmission and jackshaft as a unit on a dead front axle, so that axle, wheels, engine, transmission, jackshaft, etc., turn with the front wheels.

The steel frame, which extends rearwardly from the pivot is mounted on steel-shod wheels and is regularly equipped with a steel body. This body consists essentially of a heavy plate iron or plate steel floor and strong steel side panels, above which stakes extend, connected by steel chains.

Although this is the standard body construction, any other kind can be placed on the frame; in fact, only the forward

unit may be purchased, if necessary, so arranged that this can be attached to any kind of vehicle, after the front wheels of the said vehicle have been removed. Consequently a very interesting feature is the possibility for a company to use its old vehicles, which have suitable bodies for its work, thus converting them immediately into motor-driven trucks of four-ton capacity, at a cost very much less than any four-ton truck could be purchased for, and with lower upkeep. Furthermore, the major portion of the load is merely carried on a body with steel wheels, thus saving the cost of rubber tires.

As this combination vehicle is, of course, pulled by the power-driven front wheels, and not pushed from the rear, it requires less power to propel the given load, consequently less fuel consumption, and does away entirely with skidding. Only 30 per cent of the total load is required to give full traction to the front wheels, as the fixed front weight, plus about 15 per cent of the load weight only, gives all the tractive weight needed.

Rated as a four-ton vehicle it carries 8,000 pounds, but is claimed to be strong enough for 10,000 pounds. The weight loaded would be under 15,000 pounds.

Every Kind of Sheet Metal for Building

The Galesburg Sheet Metal Works, Galesburg, Ill., wish to get in touch with carpenters and builders and figure with them on sheet metal work. These people manufacture sheet metal cornices, metal ceilings, skylights, finials, crestings, etc. They make up any design in sheet metal, following architects' drawings or builders' sketches. Their catalogs and circulars are valuable to have on hand for reference. These will be sent promptly to any of our readers who are interested.

Iron and Steel Processes and Their Relation to Corrosion

PORTIONS OF A PAPER READ BEFORE THE COLLEGE OF APPLIED SCIENCES SYRACUSE, UNIVERSITY, DEC. 17, 1913

By J. T. Hay

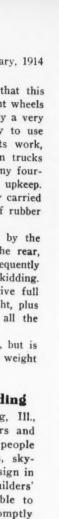
Chief Metallurgist and Chemist of the Stark Rolling Mill Co.

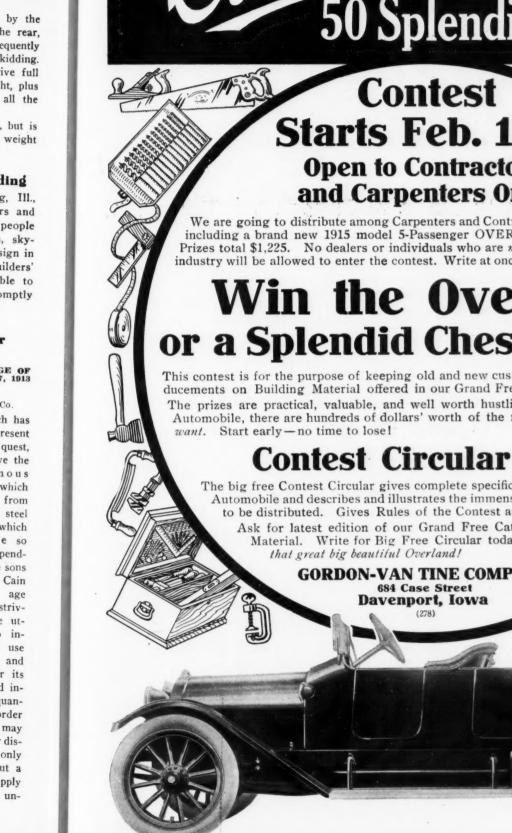
It is to Tubal Cain that we owe the incentive which has resulted in the development of iron and steel to its present condition. It was he who started mankind on a new quest, the quest of the use of iron, and consequently we have the



J. T. Hay

multitudi n o u s products which are made from iron and steel and upon which we place so much dependence. The sons of Tubal Cain in every age have been striving to the utmost to increase the use of steel and iron, better its quality, and increase the quantity, in order that we may have at our disposal, not only the best, but a plentiful supply of it. It is un-







doubtedly true that at the present time more men are engaged in this industry and its allied arts than in any other single industry of the country, and after all these years of careful research and investigation the art is still in its infancy, and there are many problems which yet remain to be worked out. The progress in the art of manufacturing iron and steel has been most remarkable in the last years and of all the factors which have contributed towards it none have been more influential than the destructive forces of corrosion, which have challenged the best efforts of man to produce a permanent iron or steel product, and it is a well established fact that the processes of manufacture have much more to do with the final lasting quality of the material than was formerly supposed. In order that we may trace the effects of the different stages of manufacture, let us begin with the ore and follow it through to the finished sheet.

The basis of all iron and steel manufacture is iron ore, and of the forms in which it occurs, the oxide is of the most service to the steel industry. This ore is the element iron combined with oxygen and containing quantities of various other impurities, such as silicon, sulphur, phosphorus, etc. It is the content of the phosphorus in these ores which determines whether or not they are "basic" or "Bessemer"-that is, whether the ore can be made into pig iron, suitable for the Bessemer converter or the basic open hearth furnace. The Bessemer process does not permit the elimination of sulphur and phosphorus beyond certian limits and this is true down to the finished sheet. Therefore, it is necessary, in order that the finished product may be of superior quality, that we must go back to the ore, determine the amount of sulphur and phosphorus which is contained therein, deduct what amount is supposed to be removed by the furnace operations and thus determine whether the ore is suitable for Bessemer steel or not.

The basic process is capable of utilizing the ore rejected by the Bessemer and produce an equal and even superior finished product, but there are some ores which neither process can successfully treat, and unless careful watch is maintained on the ore supply, there is ample opportunity for some of this low grade ore to find a way into the market, in some form of iron or steel, which will result in the latter's speedy failure. It will not be necessary to go into the detail of blast furnace methods. There are, generally speaking, four kinds of material put into the blast furnace fuel, iron ore, fluxes and blows air. Four kinds of material are discharged from it, pig and slag, tapped from the lower part of the furnace and gas and dust which pass out through the top of the furnace. The solid materials are charged in the regular way and in alternate layers, coke is the fuel most generally used. As the iron is formed in the furnace, it drops to the lowest portion of the hearth from which it is tapped after four hours, and is either cast into pigs or transferred in the form of hot metal to either the converter or open hearth furnace. Let us follow some of this hot metal to the Bessemer converter. This large pear-shaped vessel is lined with refractory material and the molten metal is poured in at the top. A current of air is passed through this already highly heated material, oxidizing the silicon carbon and manganese in the metal bath, and causing an increase of the temperature until the point is reached when the metal has been purified to a degree which makes it acceptable to a certain class of purchasers. We will now return to the blast furnace and take note of the pig iron which was cast either in sand or in pig iron machines. It is sold to Bessemer or open hearth steel manufacturers who do not have a blast furnace in connection. Either hot metal from the blast furnace or cold cast pig iron, together with scrap iron and the necessary fluxes are placed on the hearth of an open hearth furnace and melted by the heat of gas made in producers from coal, or by natural gas when it can be secured.

The time required to produce a heat of steel in an open hearth furnace will vary from 8 to 12 hours, dependent upon

Quality Is Economy

Here are some Testings of our Q and E Floor Varnish

Boiling water was poured on it for five minutes—and it was unharmed.

It was vigorously washed with hot Ivory-soap suds—and it was unharmed.

A solution of 50% pure alcohol was poured over it—and it was unharmed.

It was scratched with nails—and the scratches did not show white.

An iron safe was rolled across it, the casters perceptibly mashing in the surface of the soft wood—but the varnish did not crack.

Show this advertisement to customers.

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You can make just twice as much money during 1914 if you get away from buying lumber that carries the profit tax of the middlemen. Buy from us, the producers, the manufacturers—our low prices will help you

Beat the other fellow

who is following "custom," instead of buying where he can get most for his money and better quality, too. You can get more jobs, and make more profit on each job by dealing with Hewitt-Lea-Funck, because it means you will

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the class of material to be produced. But during this time there is ample opportunity to remove many impurities which we know to be harmful to the steel, by a careful and thorough treatment of the mix and to make accurate analyses before taking out the metal so as to know whether or not it is the proper composition for the purpose for which it was intended. It is a recognized fact that the open hearth furnace alone is suitable for the production of high grade metal in large quantities. The electric furnaces are rapidly forging their way to the front, but they have not been long enough in the field, for us to accurately determine their position. Therefore, we will deal with the open hearth furnace and its production, and try to show some of the many factors in the process of manufacturing which have an influence on the corrosion of the finished products. To begin with, it is necessary that we have raw materials of good quality, pig iron, scrap and fluxes; the standard specifications of basic pig are suited for our requirements. Great care must be taken in the purchasing of scrap, as it requires but a small amount of impurities in the scrap to cause unlimited trouble in the finished product. Cast iron scrap of all kinds is to be avoided. Furnace operations are the next factor to be considered. The education of the men operating the open hearth furnaces is of the utmost importance and too many manufacturers are prone to allow men of inferior education to carry on this work and as a result thereof inferior products are made.

The proper regulation of the temperature of the furnace is a most important factor, influencing the quality of the product, and the ascertaining of the temperature with the eye, as it is customarily done is an uncertain proposition at the best. It takes a melter of long experience to determine accurately the temperature by those means and material which is needlessly overheated in open hearth furnaces, is injured beyond repair unless it is melted again with new fluxes and pig iron. After the metal has become thoroughly molten and

the temperature has been carefully watched, a sample is then taken from the bath and carefully analyzed before the material is removed from the furnace. The old methods of determining the amount of phosphorus and carbon in the metal by the visual appearance of a fractured test piece is being rapidly superseded by making preliminary chemical analyses before the material is tapped. Too much stress cannot be laid upon this point, if quality in the material is aimed at.

It requires but a short time to make determinations of carbon, manganese, sulphur and phosphorus, by our modern chemical methods and with this accurate information at his command the careful open hearth melter is able to make his heats to come within the range of the buyer's specifications. But even when these precautions are taken, many a heat is ruined by carelessness in tapping and handling the metal when in the ladle.

The melter must have before him the conditions to which the metal was subjected during the three or four hours previous to the tapping, together with the preliminary analyses to determine the necessary treatment in the ladle, as this is his last chance to add or detract from the quality of the metal.

But in aiming to make a quality product we must not neglect any step in the process. Many defects in steel can be traced to dirty molds or lack of care in pouring the molten metal therein.

When the ingot has been removed from the mold, it is usually placed in a reheating furnace or soaking pit before the ingot is cold. The heat of these pits should always be controlled by a pyrometer because the temperature must be regulated according to the chemical analysis of the metal. Much good material is ruined at this point for lack of knowledge as to its proper heat treatment. But at large plants chemists are working out these details and thus improving the quality and increasing the quantity.

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ical to the physical treatment of the metal. From now on there is practically no change in the chemical composition, regardless of how often its physical form is changed. But we have learned that it is not alone the chemical analysis which makes a quality product, but the physical treatments it has received as well. The quest for new tonnage records has resulted in the too rapid fabrication of steel, thus producing strains and stresses which in their final adjustment to natural laws cause failure. The man in charge of the rolling operations must keep down the speed limit and this is true even for the rolling of sheets. After the sheets have been rolled, careful annealing at accurately determined temperatures is absolutely essential. We have now traced the process from the ore to the finished sheet, excepting only the protective coatings, put on to increase the life of the material. Let us outline now but briefly the theory and effects of corrosion, as this subject is too vast for a thorough discourse at this time. Corrosion or the rapid rusting of iron and steel may be considered as an effect of the combined action of water and oxygen or, in a broad sense, of moisture and air. Both air and water may contain elements which will stimulate or accelerate the corrosion.

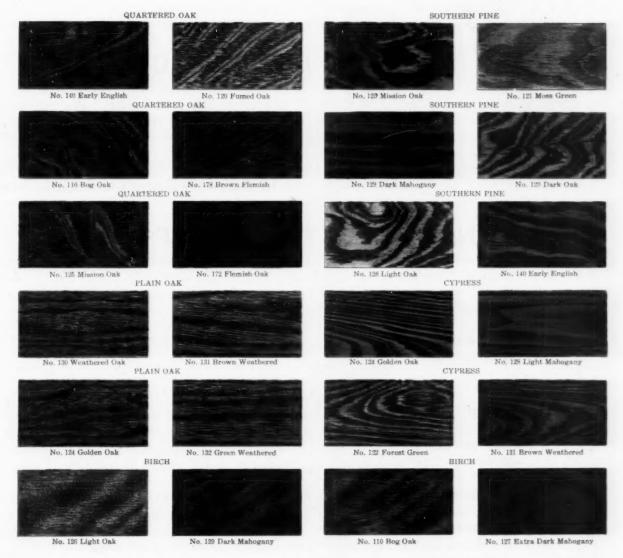
The most widely accepted theory of the cause of this rapid rusting or corrosion, called the electrolitic, is based on the fact that when two substances, having different electrical potentials, are immersed in a suitable electrolyte, an electric current is set up and corrosion begins at once. In iron or steel the various impurities differ from the element iron in their electrical potentiality, and the moisture in the air contributes the electrolyte. It is also true that this action is of a chemical nature and that because of the very close connection between electrical and chemical action we are able tocontrol this chemical action by stopping or accelerating the electrical action. Numerous investigators have been working. for years along these lines and they have proven many facts heretofore in doubt to the great benefit of the iron and steel consumer. The purity of iron has a marked influence on the rapidity of corrosion; the quantity of the impurities must not only be very minute, but those few elements which it is impossible to remove entirely, must be absolutely homogeneously distributed.

Iron is more sensitive and has the power of varying its crystallization or form of structure in a greater degree tham any other metal; and the manufacturers have learned that the whole art of producing quality, corrosion resistant metal consists of freeing it of impurities and producing the type of crystallization desired. Our constantly advancing knowledge of heat treatment and increased skill in the use of the pyrometer are making it possible to produce these quality products more and more uniform. Because of the extreme sensitivity of iron, great care must be used at its physical treatment or the work of having eliminated the impurities will be labor lost. The strains produced in rolling, unless removed by careful annealing, will generate active corrosion. These strains are caused by excessive speed in rolling or by extreme pressure on the material in breaking down.

The manufacturers of Toncan metal have spent years of research and thousands of dollars for the purpose of making a product which is safeguarded from the ore on carefully treated in every stage of manufacture and from which all objectionable impurities are eliminated to that minimum which their own investigations have proven to be best suited for a rust resistant, durable metal. And in addition they have made their plant a scientific institution, responsive to the requirements of a most sensitive material and prolonged the manufacturing process so that there will be ample time for every operation to be performed with scientific accuracy and thus a product results which represents a well-considered, honest effort to give mankind a serviceable material at a moderate price.

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With Johnson's Wood Dye inexpensive soft woods may be finished so they are quite as beautiful as hardwood. It is a combination spirit—oil dye, possessing all the good qualities of both a spirit and an oil stain and the disadvantages of neither.

All shades of Johnson's Wood Dye may be lightened and darkened at will, or two or three shades can be mixed together; in this way hundreds of different effects may be produced.

Johnson's Wood Dye is very easy to use—simply apply with a soft brush upon the bare wood; it may be wiped or not, as preferred. Wiping with a cloth or waste gives a little lighter effect and also emphasizes the grain of the wood.

A few of the many advantages of Johnson's Wood Dye over oil stains are:

First. Johnson's Wood Dye penetrates deeply into the wood bringing out the color clearly and accentuating the grain without raising it in the slightest.

Second. Johnson's Wood Dye dries in ten or fifteen minutes so the finish can be applied. This makes it an easy matter to finish work quickly. Another advantage of this quick-drying quality is that it prevents dust and dirt from accumulating in the finish.

Third. Any kind of finish (except shellac) may be used directly over Johnson's Wood Dye. This applies to wax, varnish, oil, etc. With an oil stain a coat of shellac is necessary before any other finish can be applied.

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JOHNSON'S UNDER-LAC

Johnson's Under-Lac is a thin, elastic spirit-varnish, manufactured especially for use over Johnson's Wood Dye instead of shellac. It has many other uses also. We recommend it for finishing linoleum, oil-cloth, sanitas, etc.,-and also as a first coater under Wax or varnish—in fact, it can be used wherever shellac would ordinarily be used and with much better results.

Johnson's Under-Lac is easier to use than shellac because it does not dry as quickly. Any good workman can obtain perfect results with it. Johnson's Under-Lac dries in less than an hour so that wax or varnish may be applied.

JOHNSON'S FLAT WOOD FINISH

Johnson's Flat Wood Finish is the best flat varnish on the market. We recommend it highly for woodwork and furniture over Johnson's Wood Dye or Paste Wood Filler. Apply with a brush—it will dry in four or five hours. giving a beautiful, artistic finish closely resembling the hand-rubbed. Only one coat is necessary.

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With the business situation clearing after the holidays, the affairs of the Forest Products Exposition are shaping themselves definitely and with reports at the headquarters in Chicago from all sections of the country and branches of the wood industry of America, direct and affiliated, there is every indication that the undertaking will prove even more productive of results than hoped for in the original calculations. The principal lumber associations and affiliated organizations have practically determined on a more or less extensive representation and participation, various trade organizations are planning, not only representation in the way of exhibits, but attendance in a body. A large number of concerns and individuals have signified their intention of taking space and showing their products.

According to advice received at the Chicago headquarters, the exhibits of the lumber and allied associations alone will provide one of the most interesting and instructive displays ever arranged for an industrial exhibit in this country. It has practically been decided that the United States Forestry Service will display a number of most instructive incidentals to the service, including fire tower, equipment station, timbersale models, erosion models, relief map, mine timbers, greenhouse benchboards, collection of scientific instruments, national forest model, wood utilization exhibit, wood distillation exhibit, paper pulp exhibit, timber testing exhibit, wood preservation exhibit, specimens of wood waste products manufactured from such waste and bromides, transparencies, maps and charts. It is understood that some of the state foresty divisions will make similar, yet unlike, exhibits.

As several of the leading woodworking machinery manufacturers have indicated their intention of installing exhibits, with wood manufacturing plants being represented and any number of accessories having exhibits, a complete demonstration of the utility and possibilities of wood in all its phases is assured.

Stamped Steel Hardware

Small hardware fixtures, such as are used on windows, storm sash, screens, etc., have been cheapened and improved since the advent of stamped or pressed steel. Nowadays, a series of automatic machines turns out thousands of per-



Steel Corner Brace

fectly fashioned little items of builders' hardware made of wrought steel. These are strong and tough, not easily broken like the old style castiron fixtures. Contractors and builders enjoy the benefit of this improvement. Many of these little hardware items now obtainable at a few pennies each, our fathers had to worry along without.

One of the most ingenious and tireless of the stamped-steel hardware concerns is the Watrous Manufacturing Company, Des Moines, Iowa. We have just been looking over one of their catalogs, and extremely worth while we have found it. Storm sash hangers and window screen hangers of several different types are illustrated. There are also adjustable sash fixtures, window catches, automatic door catches, etc.

One item that seems especially useful just at this time of year is the wrought steel corner brace for screen window frames. You will see at once how this brace, smoothly fastened by two screws, will make a light mitre joint that won't give nor break loose.

All users of builders' hardware and all who make or repair screens should write for this interesting catalog and investigate the screen sash corner braces, as well as their other offerings.



Myer's Poster Calendar

1914 has brought its large interesting calendar from F. E. Myers & Brother, Ashland, Ohio—the Poster Calendar that has become a familiar sight for years in dealers' offices all over the country.

On this calendar they illustrate their entire factory products—pumps of all kinds, hay unloaders, pulleys, door hangers, etc. You have to "take off your hat" to the Myers when it comes to any of the goods in their line.

Coltrin Concrete and Mortar Mixers

Their 1914 catalog is just being distributed by the Knicker-bocker Company, Jackson, Mich. This is the most elaborate and best illustrated book these people have ever issued. Everything is arranged in the most logical order, and no pains have been spared to give the inquiring reader every particle of information he could possibly want about the Coltrin machines.

It has been said that words were made to conceal thoughts, and we sometimes think, looking over some of the building trade catalogs that reach us, that this is indeed the case. There are words there all right; many of them. But after going through them you have no more idea than at first of what the machine is, how it operates or what it is guaranteed to do.

Not so, however, with this catalog from the Knicker-bocker Company. Studying its pages is just like talking with Mr. Knickerbocker. We do it every year at the Cement Show. Everything is straightforward; nothing concealed or ambiguous. Some strong claims are made for the Coltrin, but when we see them set down in black and white in this catalog or hear them advanced by the responsible men of the Knickerbocker Company, we know there is good and ample foundation for them.

A great variety of types and sizes of Coltrin concrete and mortar mixers are featured in this new catalog. They range in size from 900 pounds in weight, hand power, up to 4,500 pounds, 8 hp.

A very interesting section of the catalog is devoted to photographs of construction work, showing Coltrin mixers in use. Every reader of the American Carpenter and Builder should have a copy of this 1914 catalog. The manufacturers, the Knickerbocker Company, Jackson, Mich., will gladly send copies free to those writing them.

Advice to Skidders

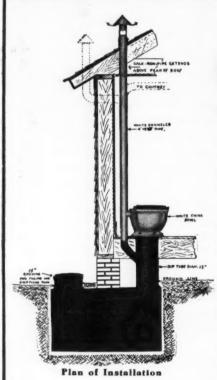
"Carelessness and fright are the two big factors in most bad skidding accidents," says R. D. Jones of the KisselKar. "When the streets are slippery the best of drivers will have their troubles unless they use caution.

"And the first rule of caution, I would say, is to drive so that the sudden application of brakes will not be necessary at any time. For when the brakes go on hard and suddenly, there is going to be an automobile doing a tango immediately.

"I warn all beginners—and some older drivers too—to approach all street crossings with the car under control without the brakes being used. Let the engine do the braking to slow up for a crossing. Then put on the brakes easily. If the car shows a tendency to swing around release the brakes immediately.

"And then here is the one big vital thing to do. Turn the front wheels in the direction to which the rear of the machine is skidding. It is instinct to turn the wheels in the opposite direction. The result is that the skid is accentuated.

"When driving along the road and there is trouble on the right side it is instinct to turn the wheels away from it. That is the reason the beginner will invariably make a skid worse"



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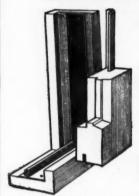
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Buzz-Saw Number of "The Philistine"

Whether Elbert Hubbard writes of men or morals he is sure to be interesting.

Simonds Guide for Millmen for January, took the form of this special number of "The Philistine." The Guide as it usually appears is no slouch, and has both entertained and instructed its readers in times past. This Buzz-Saw number, by the Fra, adds a strong dash of pepper to season the year's output.

Right on the first page Elbert breaks out with his irrepressible story-telling.

"To saw wood," he says, "is an injunction and a proposition that is familiar to all of us, but one that is open to varied interpretations."

"'Can you saw wood?' asked the lady of the tramp, who applied at the back door for a hand-me-out.

"'Madam,' said the hobo, who was from Boston, 'you will pardon me if I correct your ungrammatical construction. You should not say, 'Can I saw wood?' You should express it thus: 'Can I see wood?'"

From gay to grave is one of the specialties of this literary comedian. There is a ring of genuineness and truth in it when he says farther on, referring to Abel Simonds, who founded the present business of Simonds & Company away back in 1832: "Stradivarius made violins to the glory of God. Simonds makes saws, inspired with a like purpose."

AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER readers are well acquainted with Simonds saws. Many of them will probably be glad to know more about the Simonds Manufacturing Company; of its personnel, factories, etc. We presume extra copies of this Buzz-Saw number of "The Philistine" can be had by writing the company at their main office, Fitchburg, Mass.

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New Trus-Con Waterproofing Hand Book

We have received a copy of the new complete edition of Waterproofing Hand Book just issued by the Trus-Con Laboratories. This is the most comprehensive publication on Waterproofings, Dampproofings and Technical Paints ever issued by these people. In it there is a large amount of new scientific information appearing here for the first time.

The Trus-Con Hand Book clearly differentiates between various methods of waterproofing and dampproofing, showing the best methods of treatment for specific conditions. Intergral waterproofing is covered fully with numerous specifications and directions, explaining clearly how mass concrete can be absolutely waterproofed.

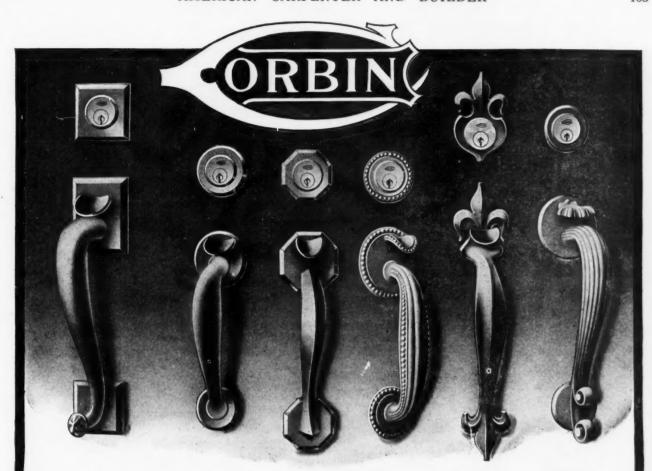
The various methods of dampproofing exposed surfaces of concrete, stucco, brick and masonry are discussed, and various products indicated to insure the most satisfactory results. The troublesome problem of treating concrete floors which have

become dusty is brought up, and the remedy suggested. Sanitary, washable interior finishes are indicated, both for residential and business buildings. The protection of structural steel is scientifically treated and materials indicated, to provide against various exposures,

In short, the Trus-Con Hand Book is a scientific publication, which will prove useful to any of our readers that are interested in problems of waterproofing, dampproofings of technical paints. A free copy of the Trus-Con Water-



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In designing this tool the aim of the Beach Mfg. Co. has been to furnish a thoroughly efficient combination machine at a reasonable price. We believe that they have succeeded and submit as evidence of the fact the following specifications:

The table is mounted on anti-friction rollers and is shown in the illustration arranged for cross-cutting. When ripping is to be done it may be locked to the frame by means of the lever shown at the left side of the machine. A removable throat 5 inches wide, extending the whole length of the table, is provided to admit of using dado heads.



Beach Mfe. Co. Combined Saw Table and Borer

The arbor is steel, having connected, self-oiling boxes, with the pulley between them. Oil chambers, placed in each end of the boxes, are connected by wicks extending the whole length of the journals. These supply oil to all parts of the bearings and any excess is collected by the chambers at the ends as it is torced out.

The arbor yoke is carried on a frame journaled at the back of the main frame and supported at the front of the machine by the adjusting screw and hand wheel shown in the illustration. To render this support very rigid and unyielding when the saw is in position for use, a planed surface on the raising and lowering frame is clamped securely against a similar surface on the slotted guide at the front of the machine, by an eccentric lever.

The frame is either iron or wood as may be preferred. The iron frame is cast in one piece and is very stiff and well braced. The wood frame is made of hard maple or black birch, securely bolted at every joint.

The boring attachment is entirely independent of the saw table and is driven by a separate pulley on the countershaft. The arbor is fitted with a 1/2-inch hole, and has a horizontal movement of 6 inches.

With each machine is included countershaft complete, rip saw, cut-off saw, arbor wrench, ripping gauge, cut-off gauge

For further information address the Beach Mfg. Co., Montrose, Pa.

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Transite Asbestos Shing

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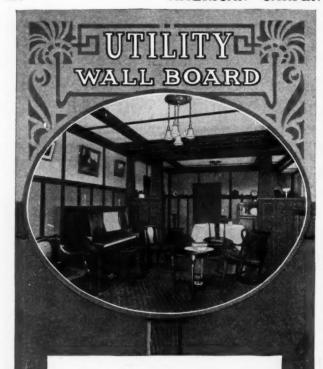
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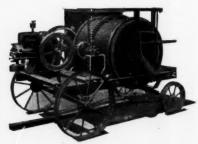
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CHICAGO

Mixers for Quick Delivery

To those of our readers located in the Western part of the country, it will be of more than passing interest to learn of a report from the Lansing Company, 708 Cedar St., Lansing, Mich., of several recent carload shipments of the 1914 model "Broncho" Batch Mixers to Seattle and Tacoma,

Wash., and Portland, Ore. Contractors located out in that section will now be able to get deliveries from any one of these three points, which gives them the benefit of carload rates-an item that every man will appreciate-and the further advantage of quick deliveries.



"Broncho" Batch Mixer, 1914 Model

If there is any one thing that is annoying to a contractor when he has a hurry-up job on his hands, it is the matter of slow shipments and deliveries; and it is with a full appreciation of that fact that the Lansing Company have decided that they can serve their Western customers better by having stocks of mixers more easily available.

They claim some very marked improvements in this year's model over the machine sold last year-added strength in the frame; a more rapid discharging device; full-circle swing for the front wheels; and a larger, more powerful engine.

Those interested should write to the Lansing Company for the latest literature on this machine, and secure the nearest address where these machines are carried. Machines are now in stock in more than thirty cities outside of Lansing.



Estimating Bad and Good

Slipshod estimating and guess work has ruined many a good man. A builder is anxious to get a piece of work and may have inside information that his efforts will be fruitful, but even so, he is liable to overlook something or many things. His familiarity with a particular class of work makes him over-confident. He sends in his tender and is accepted. Perhaps his was not the lowest, but he honestly believed that he gave a fair, reasonable offer to do the work with a marginal profit. When the work commences and as it advances he discovers that he overlooked the ceiling joists, or didn't reckon on the strapping, or some other items. If only one item be omitted, however small, he is that much the loser. "But," he may say, "what does it matter? I have allowed sufficient elsewhere to cover that." Thus he cuts a piece off the top of his pants to make them longer at the

No man can be a success until he can make a reliable estimate of the actual cost of everything required in the job and do it quickly. Then, and then only, can he tell how much he will gain, and only a systematic method will enable him to do this, and place him in a position to do good work to the satisfaction of the owner, the architect and all concerned. He then impresses the architect with his sincerity and ability, increases his clientele, and improves his banking account, building up a reputation and obtaining a lasting advertisement which cannot be secured by any other means.

Rapidity doesn't mean so much in making an estimate; but it gives the builder more time for looking after his business.

The Bradt Publishing Company emphasize these facts in their ad, this month and offer a solution of these problems to those sending for the last edition of the Lightning Esti-



OVER BRICK
Furring strips furnish nailing
surfaces for all edges of panels,



INSIDE WALLS
Headers should be placed where
needed for nailing top and bottom
of panels, top of baseboard, etc.



PLACING PANEL
First nail top center to hold in place. Continue as in next picture.



NAILING CENTER
Always nail to intermediate
studding, before nailing edges.
Use fine wire brads.



NAILING EDGES
Smooth out panels, then nailedges

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Fill out the coupon and we'll send you a free, painted sample of the new BEAVER BOARD and put your name on the mailing-list of our Carpenters' and Decorators' Co-operative Department. No obligation on your part, but you get all reading matter issued by the Department.

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Use a fine, panel saw, as for any fine lumber, pebbled side of pane



Note support at right to hold



PAINTING
This should be done before strips
are put over edges of panels.



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Decorative strips are stained (or primed) before they are nailed

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All Hands Write Alike on the Bennett Typewriter

The progressive contractor and builder is ever on the alert for new business and he is fast adopting methods that have won out in other lines.

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When a contractor or builder learns of people who are contemplating building he should at once lay before them the reasons why he should be given the job—and the most effective way to do this is by sending out typewritten letters. You can talk to a man about the superiority of your work until you are exhausted and then when it comes time for letting the contract he will forget most of the things you said. Not so, however, with a letter. He has every one of your arguments before him in black and white, knows just exactly what you will do, how long it will take you to do it, and how much it will cost, including your fee. Verbal estimates and bills should always be confirmed by letter.

All hands write alike on the typewriter, and no one need be handicapped by his penmanship. A longhand letter never gets the same attention as a typewritten one—it requires longer to write and it is impossible to make at the same time, somes for reference.

The attention of our readers is particularly called to the Bennett Typewriter, illustrated on another page. This is a portable machine that a contractor or builder can carry right with him and do his office work wherever he is. It has the standard 84-character keyboard, reversible ribbon,

marginal release and the writing is always in sight. And yet this typewriter is very moderate in price. Write Chas. A. Bennett Co., 3301 Cedar St., Harrisburg, Pa., for particulars regarding their remarkable typewriter.

The Fox "Junior" Floor Scraper

The Fox Supply Co. of Brooklyn, Wis., have just placed on the market a new floor scraper, at what they claim is the lowest price yet made on a practical floor scraper. This they call the Fox Junior. It is a simple, economical contrivance which scrapes a floor satisfactorily. It is designed for the use of carpenters who do not have a great deal of

enters who do not have a great deal of floor work to do and, therefore, do not wish to invest in a higher priced machine.

Hand scraping is such an expensive operation that the Fox Junior will prove its

worth many times over. It not only scrapes faster, but does better work than can be done by hand. The body of the scraper slides on the floor like a plane, insuring a cut of uniform depth. It works equally well on all kinds of hardwood flooring, including Georgia pine. It is particularly well adapted to the smoothing of old floors. It is guaranteed not to jump or leave waves. A rubber cushion over the knives prevents chattering.

If You are a Worker in Wood, whether in the Factory or in the School-room, You will be interested in



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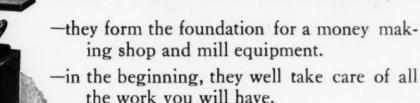
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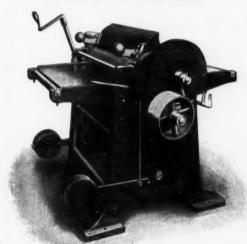
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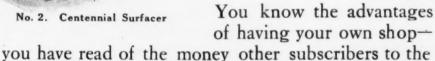
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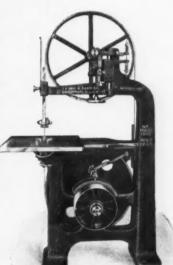




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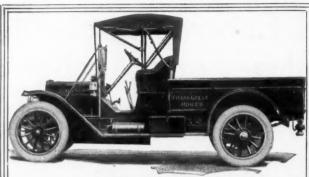
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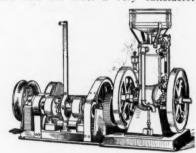
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The Ebel Hoisting Machine

The accompanying illustration shows the Ebel hoisting engine for contractors' use. This is a direct-connected machine. It is furnished in five sizes, ranging from 3 to 12 horse-power.

Contractors find the Ebel a very satisfactory hoist. It



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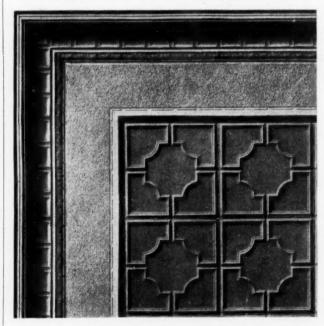
is strongly built, and is very simple in its design. There is not much chance of its getting out of order.

These hoists are manufactured by the Lansing Motor and Pump Company, Lansing, Mich., who will send further information to any of our readers who are interested.

Klauer Metal Ceilings

The Klauer Mfg. Co., Dubuque, Iowa, are making a strong bid for business with their line of very attractive stamped metal ceilings. A special feature with these people is that with every ceiling they furnish a blue-print or working drawings showing the exact size and arrangement of each member of the combination ceiling design. They also send a packing slip giving an itemized list of the material shipped. This prevents chance of lost goods or overcharge.

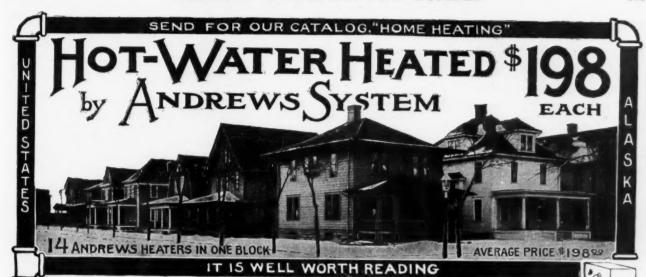
The design illustrated is one of their popular numbers; a



Klauer Mfg. Co. Metal Ceiling

Colonal wood panel design. The illustration shows how their designs mitre together at the room corners.

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Andrews Steel Bollers

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"Veribest" Asphalt Shingles

There are so many good reasons for using asphalt shingles that it seems queer builders didn't begin using them sooner. Of course, though, it's more the fault of the shingle makers; for, come to think of it, it hasn't been so very long that first-class modern asphalt shingles have been on the market.

Whoever thought of them first, it didn't take the building public long to catch onto them once they were introduced.

The Veribest asphalt shingles, manufactured by the McHenry-Millhouse Mfg. Co., South Bend, Ind., have been called the twentieth century shingle. They give a building an attractive appearance, require no paint, and will last an indefinite number of years. Fire-resisting, low in first cost, stylish in appearance, requiring no expense for up-keep, these shingles appeal to a builder's judgment.

Verbiest asphalt shingles are cut 8 inches wide and 123/4 inches long. In laying, 4 inches of the length is exposed to the weather, consequently when the shingles are laid, they form three thicknesses of absolutely water-proof material. These shingles are used on all classes of residences and public buildings. They are just the thing for porch roofs, bay windows or dormers, etc., as on account of their pliability they can be made to fit any corner or angle.

These shingles come in four colors; namely, dark red, gray, green, and brown. The color is obtained by the use of crushed slate for the weathering surface coat. The colors are accordingly fadeless.

Another valuable product of the McHenry-Millhouse Mfg. Co. is their "Wodwalboard," a high-grade wall board for the finishing of any room. The claim is made that

one-half the lathing and plastering expense is saved by using "Wodwalboard" for offices, restaurants, store rooms, garages, etc. Also for the principal rooms of residences, as well as attics and dens, this wall board is being freely used.

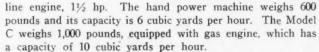
The McHenry-Millhouse Mfg. Co., South Bend, Ind., have a good supply of illustrated circulars and catalogs which they will gladly send to carpenters and builders who are interested.

Bolte Concrete Mixer

The development of the Bolte concrete mixer was accomplished by four years of constant experimenting. The inventor, who was a contractor of considerable knowledge and experience and realized what is required in such a machine, turned his knowledge to practical account, and pro-

duced a continuous concrete mixer. The manufacturers advise that since placing the Bolte mixer on the market they have enjoyed a very large sale among contractors and engineers.

Two styles are offered. Their Model B hand power machine, and their Model C, which is equipped with gaso-



These machines are well made; reasonable in cost. For full particulars address the Bolte Mfg. Co., Kearney, Neb.



Bolte Mixer

YOU WANT THE BEST GET THE SAND'S ALUMINUM LEVEL

This level will please you. You'll not be satisfied to use a heavy, clumsy, level any more. The old wooden level splits, cracks and warps. The iron rusts, expands and contracts. These things throw the level out of adjustment.

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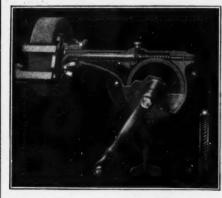
and we make it. You couldn't buy a finer level if you searched the world over. Take it with our guarantee that it is absolutely true and reliable. It will last longer than a life time.

See It Before You Buy

You'll be anxious to see this fine tool. Ask your hardware man to show you a Sand's Aluminum Level. If he hasn't got one, write us. Tell us you'd like to see this level without feeling obliged to buy. We'll send you a level by express. Examine it. If you don't want to buy it, hand it back to the express agent. That's all.

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Double Faced Sharpening Wheel—In "Best Maide" Grinders the grinding and finishing are both done on one wheel. The tool is quickly brought to an edge on the medium grit body and is then smoothed off and finished on the fine grit side-face. No other grinder performs both these operations on a single wheel.

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This will renience.

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TOOL GRINDERS

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of sufficient diameter to provide great wearing surfaceand grinding

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The attachment shown above converts the "Best Maide" into a very practical shop drill.

If your hardware dealer cannot supply you with a Luther Grinder, mail back the coupon, properly filled out, for free pocket hone.

Luther "Best Maide" Grinders are sold by nearly all leading hardware dealers. If, on inquiry, you find that your dealer does not handle Luther Grinders, do us the favor of sending in his name and the name of the tool grinders he does handle, and we will mail you a handy little DIMO-GRIT Pocket Hone FREE for your trouble. Use the attached coupon and get our descriptive folder telling about "Best Maide" Grinders.

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812 Point Street

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

FREE HONE COUPON Luther Grinder Mfg. Co.
812 Point Street, Milwaukee, Wis.
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E sure that the atmosphere within your building is vielt. building is right. When you specify the UNDERFEED you are absolutely insuring clean, even, adequate heat at the least possible The Underfeed-either Furnace or Boiler cost. -emphatically ADDS to the RENTING or SELLING value of any building. The reasons therefor are easily understood

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We want you to know all about this modern, money-

saving system. Write TODAY for FREE Booklet which fully describes

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The Underfeed saves \$2 to \$3 a ton on coal, burning cheaper gades of hard or soft coal—slack, pea or buckwheat sizes. All fire is on top—close to heating surfaces, which are thus kept free from heat-retarding soot.

Thousands have given cheerful testimony of Underfeed ap-reciation. Here are samples read by millions of magazine aders in February:

Fuel Saving Mr. John P. O'Neil, Lo-gan Square Station, Chicago Post-office: "No more topfeeds for me. Saved about \$30 last year."

Consumes Gases Mr. J. A. Staples-Topeka, Kansas: Underfeed Boiler makes good. Consumes smoke and gases as they pass through live coals."

Prevents Waste Mr. C. C. White-Garret, Ind.: "Have only emptied ashes twice in a year. I burn them up."

Ease of Operation Mr. Walter N-Post, Commerce, Mo., "The easiest furnace to operate I ever saw. Wife has no trouble when I'm away."

Lasting Worth Mr. J. T. Johnston:
Freeport, Ill. (rural route No. 6):
"This is our seventh winter. Under feed does as well now as when first put in. My mother, mother-in-law, brother and sister all did away with top feeds and now have Underfeeds."

Send rough sketch or blue print of your floors and basement and we will forward FREE heating plans and estimate of cost.

Underfeed heaters are adapted for both large and small buildings. Installed in unit or battery form in residences, apartment houses, halls, churches, theaters, schools, etc.

Write TODAY for FREE Furnace or Boiler Book and fac-simile testimonials.

THE PECK WILLIAMSON CO.

436 West Fifth Street

CINCINNATI, OHIO

Clover Leaf Equipment for Builders

The Clover Leaf mortar and concrete mixer has become famous as the mixer that is easily kept clean. The shape of the mixing drum is responsible for this. The "involute curve" does the mixing; no wings or deflectors are required.

The Clover Leaf Machine Company, South Bend, Ind., have for years been manufacturing thoroughly well designed machinery. This experience, together with their fine manufacturing equipment, with the latest improved machinery, and a force of skilled mechanics, enables them to offer their present line-right in quality and right in



Clover Leaf with Folding Loading Platform

The Clover Leaf mixer mixes mortar or Portland cement concrete equally well. It comes in four sizes, of capacities rated, respectively, 35 to 50, 60 to 70, 80 to 100, and 100 to 140 cubic yards per day of 10 hours. All the standard models are offered on skids, and on trucks, and with either gas or steam engine power. Numerous special improvements are offered in the 1914 models. The illustration shows the folding loading platforms which are valuable time-savers for sidewalk contractors foundation builders, etc. They go to make up a mixing outfit of extreme portability.

All of these features are well covered in the new catalogs these people are distributing. Builders' hoists are also an important part of the Clover Leaf line, as featured in their catalogs. Write the Clover Leaf Machine Company, South Bend, Ind., for their illustrated booklets.

Larger Space for Vapor Vac. Co.

On or about January 1st, Vapor Vacuum Heating Company moved to their new suite of offices, located on the second and third floors at 1215 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

This move has been made necessary by their constantly expanding business, which practically doubled itself during the past season, necessitating increased accommodations to permit their engineering staff to keep up with the increasing volume of work that they have to take care of.

Vapor Vacuum (Kriebel System) is making great strides, and is finding its way into many of the leading banks, churches, schools, public buildings and private homes, and in each case the company advises us that they have had no difficulty in fulfilling their guarantee of saving 25 per cent of the fuel necessary to run the older systems of heating, and in many cases the saving has been as nigh as 30 to 40 per cent.

The Kriebel system can be installed to work in conjunction with any of the types of boilers advertised in our columns. and it will give uniformly satisfactory results when properly

They have just issued a very comprehensive treatise on the Kriebel system, as applied to the modern boiler, which they will be glad to send to anyone interested.

Holland Furnaces Make Warm Friends When you Specify a FurnaceChoose "A HOLLAND"

"The Heart of

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Has fewer joints, smaller joints, is simpler and easier to operate than any other make. It will burn any kind and all grades of fuel—hard coal, soft coal, slack or wood — without waste of gases, without internal explosions and without opening of joints.

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You can buy no cleaner Heating Plant than a Holland Furnace. The Holland
Furnace, size for size, will give more heat from fuel consumed than any other furnace on the market, because it has the grate surface, the radiation and the most perfect and natural way of burning fuel.

Sold under a Double Guarantee from factory direct to consumer.



Send us your floor plans. Mark the rooms you want heated. Our expert heating engineers will submit to you detailed plans, specifications, prices, etc., covering the entire heating equipment. We furnish this service FREE. It enables you to install Holland Heating Equipment as well as an expert can do it.

We Want a Reliable Agent in Each Town to take orders and instal Holland Furnaces. You can qualify. Don't doubt. We give you complete instructions so failure is impossible.

Ask for Catalog and Agency Particulars

Holland Furnace Co.

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Largest Direct Installers

of Furnaces in the world.

Money in Canvas Gloves

It would be hard to tell just how, when and where, the canvas glove originated, but the fact remains that they have come. Have come to stay.

In the comparatively few years that they have been on the market, since their manufacture has grown into big industries, they have forged to the front in leaps and bounds. They are worn by all classes, from the millionaire who putters around his garden or with his horses or dogs, to the laboring man earning but \$1.50 a day.

They are equally in favor with the busy housewife in her household duties.

They have cut in upon and revolutionized the leather glove industry. Their very cheapness, the excellent service they give insures for them a permanent continuance of the popularity they have gained with all classes.

Canvas gloves have made themselves almost indispensable to the working man. They have been the means of establishing men and women having but small capital, in a manufacturing business, as but a sewing machine or two, a few yards of cloth and a disposition to work is all that is necessary to start the business.

The McCreery Mfg. Co., of Toledo, O., is a bright example of what wonderful possibilities canvas gloves really hold for ambitious men and women. They started a few years ago with two second-hand sewing machines, plenty of ambition, far-seeing eyes into the future of the business, and in three years' time built and paid for a large factory and are now doing a big business in this field.

They have realized the impossibility of supplying the demand for this article through their own factory and are starting energetic, ambitious men and women in the business in their own localities where they can make and sell these gloves locally to merchants and jobbers in their territory as cheaply as those concerns could buy them from bigger manufacturers farther away.

It might seem strange at first thought that they would start these factories in competition with themselves, but when their plan is explained it is easily understood, and is upon a business basis in that they establish a man in the business, then sell him the goods from which the gloves are made. In fact, as they state it, these factories started, become in reality independent branches of their large Toledo factory, all working together for the good of all. It is a commendable idea, practical, and has proven successful.

"Stone Making by the Pettyjohn System"

The cement block industry has gone through several changes in the last half dozen years. Probably it was overboomed in some sections. Even a good thing can be, and often is, overdone. But now it seems that cement block making has reached a place of permanency. For certain structures cement blocks are cheapest and best. They will always be used.

The Pettyjohn Company, 534 North 6th Street, Terre Haute, Ind., have a very instructive booklet or catalog which bears the above title. In a few words it tells what every contractor and prospective block maker wishes to know about the block business. The booklet is well written and well illustrated. This has recently come to hand along with two other very worth-while booklets from the same company. One is "Ornamental Illumination," which illustrates and describes their granite concrete lighting columns. The other is entitled "Enduring Concrete." This presents some very striking illustrations of ornamental concrete pillars and columns, especially for porches and pergolas.

Any one or all of these booklets will be sent our readers on request.



Concrete and Lumber Go Hand in Hand

Builders, Carpenters, Contractors, have discovered the great money making possibilities of making Ideal Concrete Blocks and Concrete Stone in general.

It is the Legitimate Side Line

That is the reason Ideal Machines are busy in hundreds of Lumber Yards.

We build and install Hand Power or Machine Power Equipment.

We build Mixers for any kind of service.



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"the heart of all equipment is it's power"

Don't give your equipment heart failure!

Many a good piece of machinery has gone the junk route because of poor engine. Many a contractor has lost thousands of dollars because of engine trouble—why should this be? The engine—the heart of every piece of equipment. The one

factor that means the most on the cost side of every profit sheet. "Id

profit sheet. "Ideal" power, the cure for all equipment that has heart trouble. It boosts your profits and lowers your operating cost. Every piece of your equipment should be driven by

"Ideal" Type Engines

Did it ever occur to you to fully investigate your power before buying? Seventy-five per cent of the contractors buy engines that they know nothing about—then when the outfit goes wrong they swear that they



have been "bunkoed"—it's not so. If they had looked into the power problem as carefully as they did the rest of the outfit they would have been on the safe side. It's never too late—remember next time when you buy equipment—buy "Ideal" power.

Original Sas Engine Co.

R. E. OLDS, Chairman

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"Get next to 'Ideal' Power"

Why Buy an Elephant to Do the Work of a Horse?

Save \$10 to \$20 a Day

By Using the Portable, Light-weight, Rapid, Smooth-running

EUREKA MEASURING MIXER

Engineers, Contractors, Builders: If you haven't awakened to the remarkable possibilities of this self-measuring mixer and its astonishing advantage over any batch mixer you ever saw, you are overlooking the biggest money-saving opportunity that anybody could possibly offer you in connection with concrete production.

Before you buy another Mixer, read our Catalog No. 36.

It describes the advantages of the EUREKA Self-Measuring Mixer of half the weight, half the first cost, one-third the operating cost and EQUAL CAPACITY

Ask about the EUREKA FIFTY—the special outfit for building contractors. *Fifty yards a day*. Low price, strong, serviceable, just the mixer for small jobs.



Are You Hand-Sawing Form Lumber?

This is the question the C. H. & E. Mfg. Co. are putting to contractors. They go on to say that if you are sawing by hand all your false form lumber in heavy concrete and bridge work, their No. 4 All Iron Portable Saw Rig is the equipment you want on the job. This outfit is the latest in a combination portable wood-worker having a capacity of 6-inch lumber on the rip and 8-inch lumber on the cross cut.

The engine and saw table are mounted on 4-inch channel iron skids, reinforced with 4-inch by 4-inch yellow pine. The end frames of the saw table are cast iron. On these is mounted and hinged an accurately planed 42-inch by 66-inch iron table, with screw adjustment for raising and lowering.

The 6 H. P. Water Hopper Cooled Gasoline Engine is their very latest design and under break test has been made to pull 734 H. P., giving ample power.

The engine drives to tight and loose pulleys on a countershaft, so that the belt can be shifted, driving the saw arbor pulley from a large pulley mounted on the countershaft.

This is an exclusive C. H. & E. feature and gives this No. 4 All Iron Saw Rig a large belt surface, larger than in their other design of Portable Saw Tables, where the saw arbor pulley is driven direct from the engine fly wheel with one belt. With the double belt arrangement the saw and boring outfit, as well as the jointer, can be brought to a stand-still without stopping the engine.

The boring attachment is of the vertical type, being operated from a pulley mounted on the end of the countershaft.



No. 4 C. H. & E. All Iron Saw Rig With Boring Attachment

This boring attachment is fastened to the main saw table with three bolts, and is easily mounted and dismounted.

The jointer has a 6-inch cylindrical head with four knives installed and operates on the opposite side of the table to which the boring attachment is fastened.

An iron adjustable jointer gauge is supplied with this jointer attachment and its operation is very satisfactory.

This is an outfit complete in every detail and the results of years of study, of actual test and engineering skill. Address the C. H. & E. Mfg. Co., 322 Mineral St., Milwaukee, Wis., for further particulars.



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A NY small concrete job can be handled to advantage with a Smith Hand Mixer. Four men with one of these machines can mix twice as much concrete as by hand. With the machine they secure a uniform mix easily and without undergoing the back-breaking strains of shovel mixing.

Run a Smith Hand Mixer between your sidewalk forms and discharge the concrete directly into place without wheeling.

Tie a Smith behind your wagon and run out along the highways and put in your bridge abutments, culverts, etc. You'll find you can easily cut your cost in half.

Elevate this Hand Mixer over your foundation forms and chute the concrete directly into place. Cut out the extra expense of wheeling the mixed concrete from mixer to forms.

This machine is well adapted to curb and gutter work as it is light and very portable. Run it along as the work progresses and save the bother of moving a heavy mixing platform. The Smith Hand Mixer might well be called the "Farmer's Friend" for it can be used on the farm in a dozen different ways, all of which will prove to be money savers. Build your barn approaches, floors, etc., pig-pens, hen-houses, wells, curbs, etc., with it. Make them sanitary and everlasting. You'll find it pays and pays well.

Write for our special booklet covering the Smith Hand Mixer and see just what this machine is. Send for it now—Booklet No. 17-W.

The T. L. Smith Co. MILWAUKEE, WIS. 1138 32nd Street,

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Give "UNCLE SAM" One of Your

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Sales Convention Held

The Canton Art Metal Co., manufacturers of high grade sheet metal products, Canton, O., held their fourth annual sales convention recently. They report a very successful convention; the men all appeared to be optimistic and the reports made by the men were of an optimistic strain.

The first day was given over to discussion of the general line, including roofing, eaves trough, conductor pipe, and

accessories, metal shingles, siding, etc. The morning of the second day was devoted to tin plate, and the afternoon to skylights, cornices and special sheet metal work. All the next day was devoted to metal ceilings, and the next was given over to building reports. The last two days were devoted to general business and discussion of the outlook for 1914.

Many of those in attendance pronounced this one of the best meetings we have ever held.



MONTHLY for YO

BE MY GENERAL AGENT IN YOUR COUNTY! GET INTO AN HONEST, DIGNIFIED BUSINESS of your OWN!

The man who makes big money doesn't depend upon his own efforts. He organizes other men and makes a profit from their labor, too. I show you how to do just that. Give you valuable exclusive sales territory absolutely free. Put you in a position to manage a large crew of successful agents and make fat commissions on their work as well as yours. With the fastest selling specialty on earth—with the help I can and will give you, and with money rolling in from your own sales and the sales of from six to ten men working under your direction—You SIMPLY CAN'T HELP BUT SUCCEED.

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You are an opportunity seeker. All you want is the chance. I know you will do your part. If anyone will convince you that helcan establish you in a paying, honest, dignified business where big money is practically sure, you'll take the job, won't you?

All right, I'll take you up on your own proposition. I'll appoint you as my representative on that very basis. I'll convince you that we've got the best selling specialty in existence. I'll prove to you that when you secure the exclusive representation for your county that you're not entering into a dinky, pairry agency proposition. You're putting yourselfainaline for an amazingly biglpaying business of your own with profits of from \$30 per week upward.

70% Are Without Bath Rooms

In country and small towns and cities, the percentage is vastly greater than that. These people have gone without the exhilarating, invigorating health-giving bath, simply because until now they could not get it. They have used all sorts of makeshifts, sponge baths, wooden, sine and metal tubs of various kinds. Heavy, clumsy, unsanitary, in-the-way tubs. Lugging them in and out before and after the bath. Taking up valuable space all the time.

I have invented a practical bath tub that can be used in any room—bedroom—sickroom—kitchen—anywhere—a tub that can be sold at a price within reach of the masses—a tub that is light and yet durable, one that can be folded up and stood up in any corner when you are through with it.—THE ROBINSON STEELINE PORTABLE BATH TUB.

I wish I could show you this wonderful tub. Look at the picture. See how it folds up after the bath. Pick it up with one hand and stand it away in a corner just as you would an umbrella. Isn't that the climax of convenience? In use it's as stable as the stationary tub—as luxuriant a submergent bath as any city bathroom affords—Can't tip or splash, equipped with a handy self-emptying device—pienty of room—just the right shape—simple—perfect, absolutely ideal.

We build it of STEELINE, the wonderful new material, and guarantee it for ten years.

YOU MAKE \$5.00 ON EVERY SALE

Think of it. What's the use of wasting your time and effort pushing some specialty that sells for a few cents, when the same time and energy will make you \$5. You get exclusive territory, we protect you. Give you county rights. No cost to you to secure exclusive territory. Then you, can appoint sub-agents. If you are a hustler you can make more on this proposition than many a high class salesman makes on a straight salary. In fact there is no limit to what you can earn. Just one sale a day means \$30 a week. Think of that—two a day means \$60 a week.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY I don't care if you have never had a day's selling expelience in your life. I know that you can sell this tub and sell it fast enough and often enough to make big money. I know it because fifty per cent of my best representatives are men and women and even boys and girls who never sold a dollar's worth of any kind of goods in their life before they started to work for us.

This is no fairy-tale. No dream of mine. Every word I write is founded on what has been done by the representatives who are now working for me. I know that they are just ordinary men and women. I know that if they can sell these tubs as they are selling them that YOU can do the same thing—that YOU can make the big money just as they do. I want to tell you all about it—what my men have done and what you can do. Let me send you full descriptive matter about my goods and convincing testimonials from others I have helped to succeed.

Write to-day—NOW this very minute—either a postal or letter. These exclusive county agencies won't last long. Pick one of these plums while you can—NOW!

H. S. Robinson, Pres., THE ROBINSON CABINET MFG. COMPANY 255 VANCE ST., TOLEDO, ORIO For Canadian Territory Write Our Canadian Branch at Walkerville, Ontario, Canada. post card for free tub offer. Hustle!

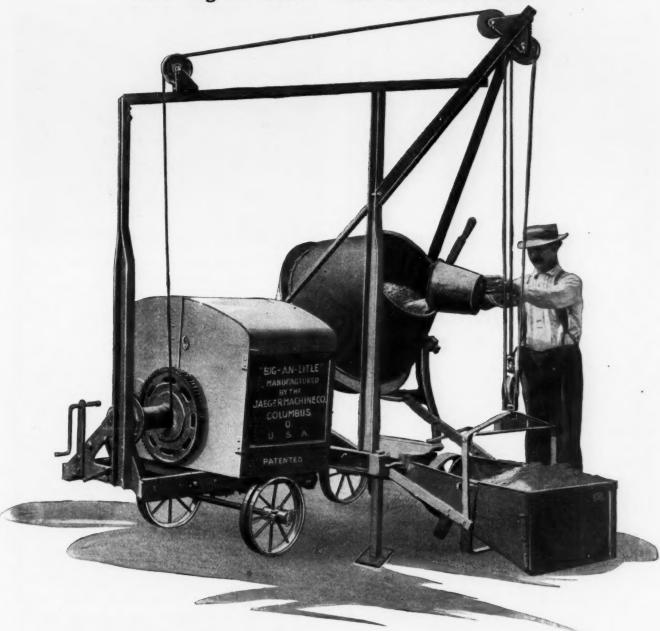
I tell you people are simply falling over each other to buy these tubs. All you have to do is to show them and write out the order. In the country and smaller fowns practically every home is a prospect. Even in the city it is surprising how they sell. Right here in Toledo, Mr. N. J. Smith is averaging two sales a day. Used to work in a hardware store at the sum of the country and the record of the sum of the country of the

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sample. Hen out — Back you to doubt — Don't hesitate—Don't doubt—Back you up—Don't doubt—Don't cannot lose. My other men are build-ing homes. bank accounts, so can you. Act

It is Plain Now What the Contractor Wanted

The Big-an-Litle" Has Satisfied Him



The tremendous enthusiasm shown in the "Big-an-Litle" mixers at the Cement Shows, by users, dealers and buyers, is indicative of the exceptional advantages which the "Big-an-Litle" line offers.

A mixer of Quality—Powerful—strong—fast—yet economical. We have accomplished in the "Big-an-Litle" what other Mixer Manufacturers have overlooked—Jaeger built it. Contractors know the day of the mixing board is gone—as well as the day of the great big mixer for ordinary sized jobs.

True-Mixing boards have been used as well as big lumbering mixers, but the "Big-an-Litle" is here and offered you at a low price.

Mixes Mortar as Well as Concrete

Last year the contractors swamped us with orders—Our capacity has been four times increased—We can and will ship your "Big-an-Litie" mixer the same day order is received.

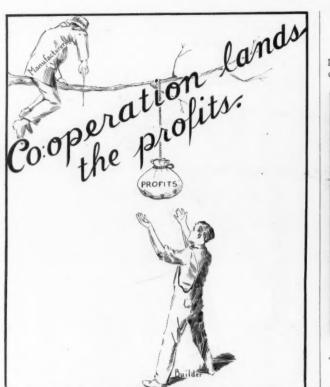
You can have the "Big-an-Litie" with Hoist and Side Loader, as illustrated. The Loader reduces the time of loading and the Hoist can be used for hoisting all kinds of material. Or you can have the "Big-an-Litie" without the Loader, but with the Contractor's Hoist—or you can have it without the Hoist, or even you can get it on skids, if you have your own engine.

They are built for you-guaranteed-sold to you at a price that will surprise and please you.

Get in touch with us at once and receive our 1914 catalog of the 1914 Model "Big-an-Little" mixer, "that is Just a Little Better than the one you thought was best."

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GETALL THE ROOFING BUSINESS IN YOUR TOWN

This is the biggest and best profit-sharing plan ever offered. A new manufacturing process makes it possible. As reliable as a national bank. Take this opportunity while you have the chance. Don't let some one else beat you to it.

You are interested in cutting down building costs. You will be quick to see the advantage of our big offer. You can save money on every roof. You can make big profits on this proposition.

We Want Your Help

One representative in every town where we have no agency. We are an old, reliable manufacturing concern. It's a connection you'll be proud of. You'll be treated fair. Your profits will be large and sure. Will you be the one?

NOW IS THE TIME

to sit down and write us for full particulars. Now is the time to make arrangements to co-operate with us and get a fair share of the profits. Write us today without fail. It costs you nothing to find out. It's a respectable, dignified proposition.

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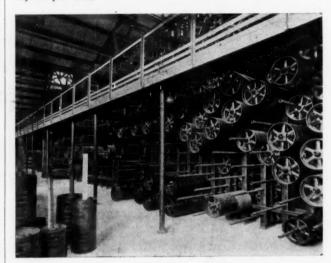
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American Pulley Co.'s Plant Capacity Increased

Recent improvements at The American Pulley Company's plant in Philadelphia have increased its manufacturing capacity 24 per cent.



Factory Storage Room for Large Size Belt Pulleys

The new warehouse, which will easily store 40,000 belt pulleys, insures ample facilities for storing stock sufficient to meet increasing demands. This building is absolutely fireproof. It has brick walls, tile roof, concrete floors, metal racks, metal bins and shelving, and metal window frames. There is more floor space under this one roof than was occupied by the entire "American" plant when established here nearly 14 years ago.

The second floor of the new building is being used as offices, the former office space being utilized as an addition to the machine shop.

The officers of the company look for conservative business for the present, but expect general improvement when the political situation has assumed a more settled aspect.

Home-Made Ice

With the constantly recurring shortage of ice, and the frequent irregularity of delivery, it is not surprising that many are turning their attention toward "home-made" refrigeration.

The Bellevue Apartments, Madison, Wis., is another example of the many new modern apartment houses, residences, clubs, hotels, cafes, butcher shops and dairies, etc.. that have said good-bye to the iceman and adopted the Audiffren-Singrun Refrigerating Machine.

Practically no skill is required to operate this machine. Its construction is exceedingly simple. It positively eliminates the element of danger which is one of the objections against the small ammonia type machine.

The Audiffren-Singrun is small, inexpensive, and neat in appearance. It is generally placed in the cellar or basement and is operated by an electric motor. It can be used either to produce refrigeration, to make ice or for a combination of the two.

Another advantage of this machine is that it insures absolutely hygienic refrigeration. Scientific tests show that bacteria flourish in the ordinary ice-box. The extremely low temperature made possible by the Audigren-Singrun prevents the propagation of germs.

An illustrated booklet, describing in detail the workings of this clever French invention, is being distributed by the manufacturers, the H. W. Johns-Manville Co., New York.



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Join enterprising men who are earning \$2,500.00 to \$3,000.00 yearly. Better your condition! Become master of your own time—your own income! Write now, for complete information regarding the little giant "B. B." POWER VACUUM MACHINE. Your profits quickly pay for your investments.

Take it on 30 days' trial offer—pay for it on easy terms. Go into the Vacuum Cleaning Business.

Your Neighbors Become Regular and **Profitable Customers**

Each year the hard work, worry, and health destroying labors of housecleaning time is dreaded more and more by every housewife. All is in your favor! ANY ONE WILL GLADLY PAY YOU HANDSOMELY TO HAVE THIS WORK DONE—you can easily earn

BUSINESS. NAME YOUR OWN INCOME

"The B. B. will do all that you claim for it—and more. Make from \$20 to \$25 in six hours easy. It is all to the good. Have even cleaned horses and dogs. It soons gets the dirt and loose hair off horses and even the fleas off of dogs."

A. O. Rainbow, N. Mexico.

Your business grows by leaps and bounds of its own accord: We will assist you—launch you properly—furnish you cards—and working plan—supply you with a price list that will net you a good profit—and at the same time WHOLLY SATISFY YOUR PATRONS.

You can pay each—or have on each installer.

You can pay cash—or buy on easy instalments. Your machine can be PAID FOR OUT OF YOUR PROFITS. We will SEND IT TO YOU ON 30 DAYS' TRIAL. WE HAVE CONFIDENCE IN ITS POWER TO FULLY JUSTIFY EVERY CLAIM WE MAKE FOR IT.

MAKE FOR IT.

Our new "B. B." machine consists of a powerful two cycle, gasoline, valveless engine, perfectly adjusted, inspected—tested. It is conveniently mounted on a strongly constructed four-wheeled wagon—steel or rubber tires—so well balanced that it can be moved from place to place with the smallest

\$15 to \$30

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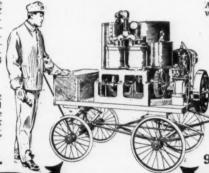
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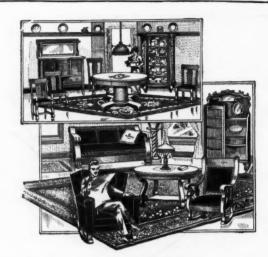
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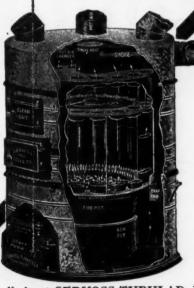
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A plan for just such a shop is being mailed out to all who request it by J. A. Fay & Egan Co., 545-565 W. Front St., Cincinnati, O. This layout calls for a building 30 by 60 feet. The machine equipment consists of a No. 2 single cylinder surfacer, No. 1 variety saw, 254 hand planer, 270 hollow chisel mortiser, 50 band saw, 2 tenoner, 8 friezing machine, and accessories, such as grinders, filing room outfit, etc. All these machines are modern high duty tools, the same as used in the up-to-date factories. The arrangement of the ma-



270 Mortiser

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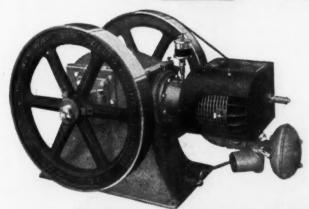
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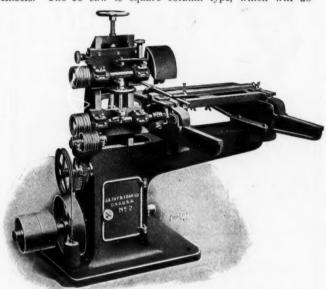
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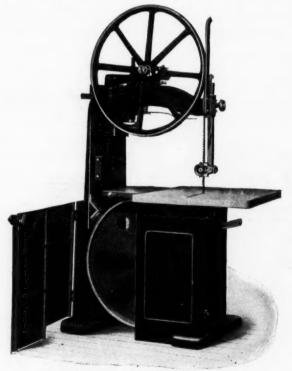
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Good Furnace Book to Have

We have received from the Campbell Heating Co., Des Moines, Iowa, a worth-while furnace catalog and instruction book, "Twice-a-Day," which describes the Winter Chaser furnace. According to it, the most important features of Campbell construction are:

1. The water reservoir. This stands inside the furnace, and the air as it is heated and expanded automatically drinks from the moisture evaporated from this tank. According to Dr. Evans of the Chicago "Tribune," the air at all times in a home should have 50 per cent humidity. They furnish this with the automatic moisture inside of the warm air jacket. Of course, the amount of air evaporated depends entirely upon the temperature of the outside air. If it is cold, more fire is required, and the expansion of the cold air is greater because of the lower temperature at which it starts. Usually anywhere from two to eight gallons a day are evaporated.

2. The large air chamber of jacket. This reference is to the space around the furnace inside of the jacket, which space is used for heating air. This space is from five to ten times as large as the air space around the ordinary furnace, consequently it will hold five or ten times as much air; there is never any danger of burning the air, of scorching it, its vitality is not destroyed and there is no danger of setting a house on fire. To correspond with this big air chamber, the manufacturers have to furnish the large pipes and large registers so as to carry the air from the furnace quickly and put it into the rooms where it is wanted, and consequently there is no heat lost in the basement.

3. The entrance door in the jacket. As before mentioned, this air chamber is extremely large. Large enough so that a man can step through the entrance door into this air

chamber, can pass around the furnace at any time that he wishes, can examine the furnace for any repairs which might be needed, and can clean out the air chamber. With the circulation of air there is always a circulation of dust. The dust is carried into the air chamber and there it lies and is from time to time stirred up and carried back into the rooms. This accumulation accounts for the dirty wall paper, dirty curtains, etc., which are so common with furnace heating, and which no doubt you have noticed a great many times. It is because of this accumulation of dirt inside of the air chamber that furnaces are usually called dirty. There is no reason why the air chamber should be allowed to become filthy. You would not allow your piano to stand for five, six or seven years without its being dusted, and there is no reason why your furnace, in fact, the entire air chamber and pipes, should stand without a cleaning. You would think it was dreadful neglect to let a piano stand in this way, and yet the air which you breathe is very much more important than the dirt on the piano and yet so little care is taken with the air chamber of the furnace.

4. The steel which is used in the construction of the Campbell system is thick. Also this material is selected; they have used the same material for a great many years. When you take into consideration that they have a great many furnaces which are more than 20 years old, and some which are thirty years old, you will realize how important it is that this selection should be carefully made. You will also be surprised at the great number of furnaces which are taken out after being used two, three, four and five years. In fact, the average life of the ordinary furnace is about four years. A few burn out sooner, and a few last a year or two longer. However, that the weight of the steel is not the only feature, which accounts for the great durability of the Campbell system.

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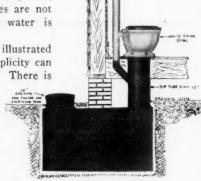
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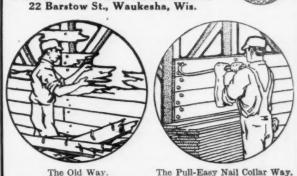
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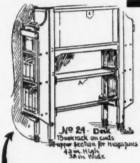
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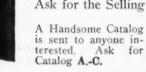
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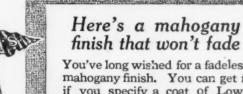
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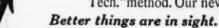
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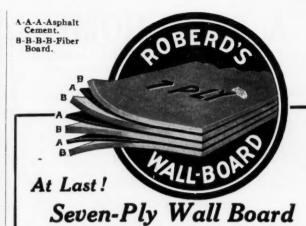
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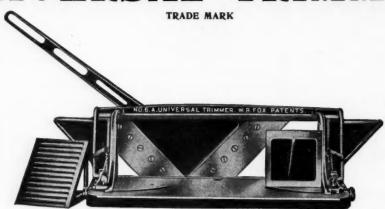
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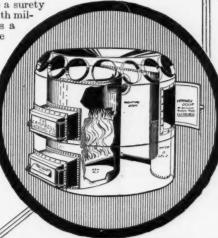
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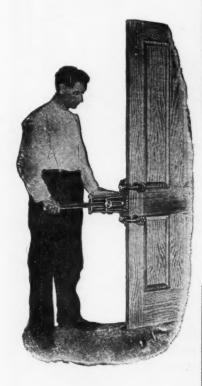
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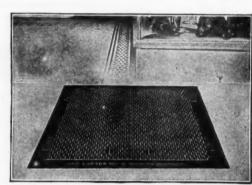
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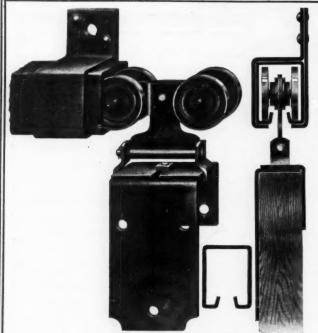
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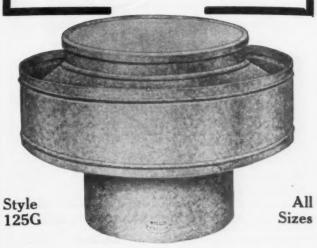
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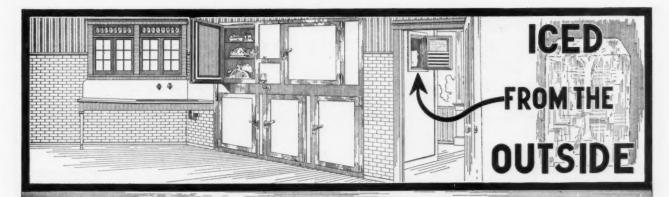
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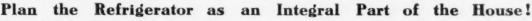
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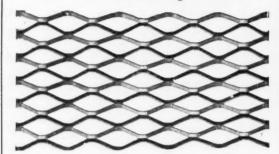
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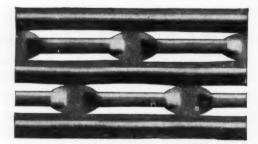
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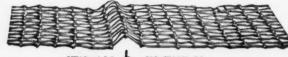


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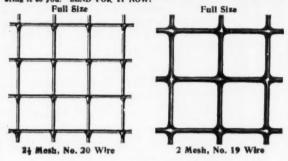
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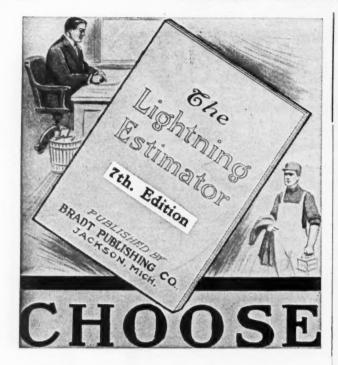
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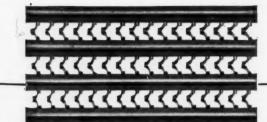
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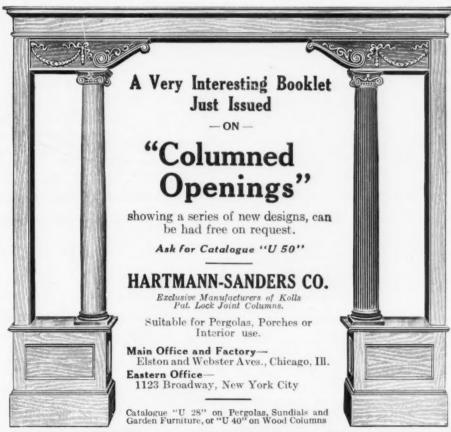
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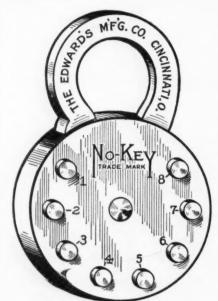
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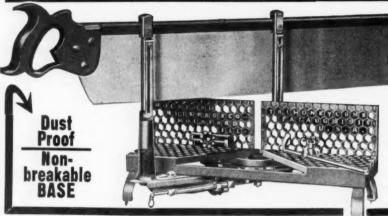
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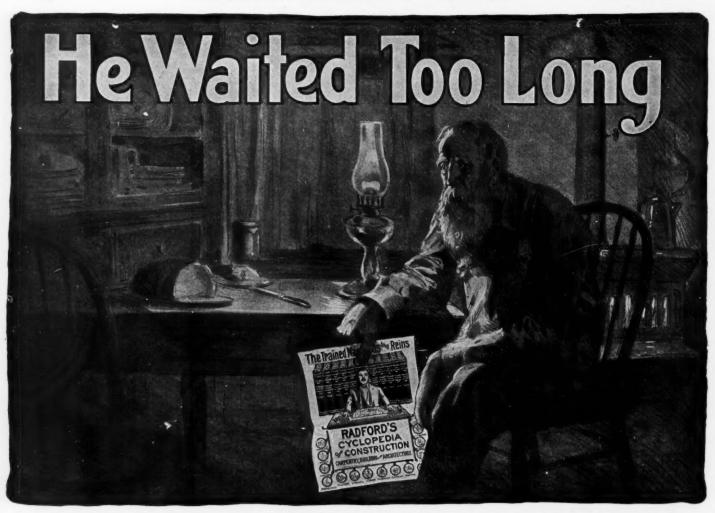
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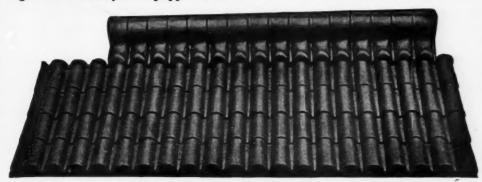
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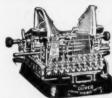
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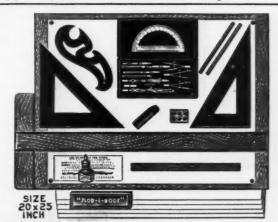
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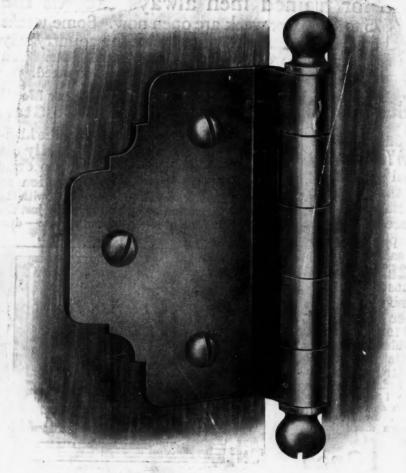
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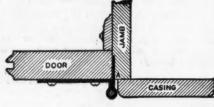
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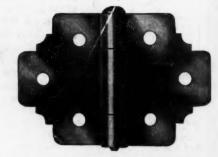


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